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Date of Sailing Saturday	STEAMERS.	TONS.	CONNECTING AT ADEN WITH	TONS.
2-30 P.M.				
1907.				
9th Nov.	OCEANA	6610		
16th „	PENINSULAR	5294	MOOLTAN	9621
23rd „	EGYPT	7912		
30th „	PENINSULAR	5294	CHINA	7912
7th Dec.	MARMORA	10509		
14th „	PENINSULAR	5294	HIMALAYA	6899
21st „	ARABIA	7902		
28th „	ORIENTAL	5284	MOLDAVIA	9500
1908.				
4th Jan.	PERSIA	7951		
11th „	ORIENTAL	5284	INDIA	7911
18th „	OCEANA	6610		
25th „	ORIENTAL	5284	MONGOLIA	9505
1st Feb.	EGYPT	7912		
8th „	CALEDONIA	7858	VICTORIA	6522
15th „	ORIENTAL	5284		
22nd „	MACEDONIA	14512		
29th „	ARCADIA	6803		
7th Mar.	CALEDONIA	7858	BRITANNIA	6515
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11th „	EGYPT	7912		
18th „	CALEDONIA	7858	MOLDAVIA	9500
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2nd May	ORIENTAL	5284	HIMALAYA	6899
9th „	CALEDONIA	7858		
16th „	ORIENTAL	5284	MONGOLIA	9505
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AUSTRALIEN	6,365	Verron	20th Feb. „
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NERA	5,538	Schmitz	3rd Jan. 1908.

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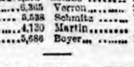

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Vessels	Tons.	Captain.	Arrival.	Departure 1907
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HITACHI MARU	...	K. Sato	13th Nov.	27th Nov.
KAGESHIMA MARU	...	T. Arakawa ..	26th Nov.	8th Dec.
WAKAMIYA MARU	...	R. Takeda ...	4th Dec.	18th Dec.
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MIYOMO MARU	...	....	....	25th Dec. 8th Jan.
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DUMRA	1,709	Thur 7th No.	9 a. m.	Cutch Mandvie.
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IMPERATOR	4140	F. Mosca	16th „
KOERBER	3301	A. Foresti	1st Jan. 1908
BOHEMIA	4293	M. Dabcevich	16th „
AFRICA	4308	P. Radossich	1st Feb. „
IMPERATOR	4140	F. Mosca	16th „

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† P. FERDINAND	6046	C. Watcovich	25th Jan. 1908.
* † NIPPON	6317	F. Tarabocchia	25th Feb. „

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AUSTRIA	7688	A. Bliadler	29th Dec.

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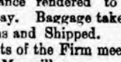

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Steamers.	Captain.	Tons.	Date. 1907.
MASSILIA	J. Thomson	5091	5th Nov.
OLYMPIA	C.F. Osborne, R.N.R.	5124	16th „
CIRCASSIA	Alex Haig	6716	3rd Dec.
SCINDIA	Shafto Abrey	5106	17th „
CASTALIA	F. S. Blight	6300	7th Jan. 08.
BRITANNIA	R. J. Garrick	3 69	21st „
MASSILIA	J Thomson	5091	12th Feb „
OLYMPIA	C.F. Osborne, R.N.R.	5124	28th „
CIRCASSIA	Alex Haig	6716	18th Mar „
SCINDIA	Shafto Abrey	5,106	26th „
CASTALIA	F. S Blight	6,300	11th April „
BRITANNIA	R. J. Garrick	3,069	19th „
MASSILIA	J. Thomson	5,091	14th May „
OLYMPIA	C.F. Osborne R.N.R	5,124	27th „
CIRCASSIA	Alex Haig	6,716	14th June „
SCINDIA	Shafto Abrey	5,106	25th „
CASTALIA	F. S. Blight	6,300	15th July „

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THE B. I. S. N. Co's steamer Waroonga 1,608 tons Captain H. Bambar, sailed yesterday for Persian Gulf and &c with a general cargo and 82 passengers.

THE Hansa Line steamer Schwanenfels, 2,455 tons Captain R. Franzins, will sail to-day for Hamburg and Bremen via Karachi, with a general Cargo.

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VESSELS IN DOCK—Nov. 4.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agents.
A	De la	4779	Daniel	Shanghai	7-11	P & O Co
B	Castello	2539	Leighton ..	Hull	12 11	P Muir & Co
C	W R Rossandrosse	2774	Kennedy ..	Baltimore	8-11	R A Wills
D	S E Qualtos	4 11	Anders a	Calcutta	4-11	M M & Co
F	Chanda	3951	Flor	K'chi	5-11	M & Co
G	Nadevi	1164	Gray	Jedah	10-11	B & P S N Co
H	Sultan	2816	Ulrich	Durban	4 11	A Strauss & Co
K	Alappo	2536	Webster ..	Hull via K'chi..	6-11	P M & Co
N	Canterbury	2734	Willis ..	Philadelphia ...	9-11	R A Wills
O	Mohammadi	1251	Prime one	Jeddah ..	7 11	B & P S N Co
P	Schwarzenfels	2455	Franzius ..	Hamburg ...	5-11	Glade & Co
Q	Alavi	2124	Hill	K'chi	6-11	B & P S N Co

Offside Q

Fazi ..... 643 Ahmed ..... N F ..... Bo S N Co

H W P D

Indravati ..... 513 Fakeer ..... K'chi ..... N F ..... Bo S N Co
Pomona ..... 852 Esmail ..... Bhagar ..... N F ..... Bo S N Co
Saraswati ..... 443 Ahmed ..... N F ..... B S N Co

VICTORIA DOCK.

1 John Hardie ..... 2846 McMillan ..... Antwerp ... 9-11 W & A G & Co
2 Massilia ..... 5091 Thomson ..... Liverpool ... 5-11 W & A G & Co
3 Urlana ..... 3283 Robertson ..... Zhar ..... 2-11 M & Co
5 T kas Ki Ma ..... 2493 Mockler ..... Kobe ..... 6-11 N Y Kaisha
6 Chan Chalan ..... 2509 Wake .... 12-11 F Muir & Co
7 Santhia ..... 3331 Thomson .... N F M M & Co
9 Levanzo ..... 2587 Belsito ..... Shanghai ... 17- 1 F & R S N Co
8 Rohemia ..... 2211 D Isevich ..... Trieste ... 16-11 A L S N Co
8 Koer or ..... 2340 Fer at ..... Trieste ... 1-11 A L S N Co
9 City of London ..... 5693 Black ..... K'chi.. 9-11 K Nixon & Co
10-11 W rtenfels ..... 2983 Schmidt ..... K'chi ..... 9-11 Glade & Co
12 Oceana ..... 3577 Haywood ..... London ..... 5-11 P & O S N Co
14 Hoseines ..... 993 Jenkins ..... N F ..... B & P S N Co
15 Olympia ..... 81 4 Osborne, ... Liverpool ... 16 11 W & A G & Co
16 Silverdale ..... 2446 Rutter ..... New Port 7-11 W & A G & Co

M W D

H M S High flyer ..... 1770 Stream ..... 5 11 R Nav

ARRIVALS.

Nov.	Vessel.	Commander	Destination.
4	Levanzo s	Belsito	Hongkong, Oct 11
	R Rubattino's	Cucchi	Genoa, Oct 17
	Soudan s	Lockyer	Durban, &c

DEPARTURES.

Nov.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
4	Zebenghis s	Dewing	Jedah
	Sultan s	Ulrich	Zanzibar &c
	Waroonga s	Bamber	Persian Gulf &c
	Lhasa s	Rothwell	Karachi

The following vessels obtained their porteleurances yesterday :—

Steamer Schwarzenfels Franzius for Hamburg &c
" Chanda Tice for Karachi

The following vessels began to load yesterday :—

Steamer Oceana for London
" Bohemia for Trieste &c
" Loodiana for Calcutta &c
" Rod swall for Antwerp &c
" Wartenfels for Hamburg &c
" Olympia for Liverpool &c
" Levanzo for China &c

DAILY EXPORTS.—NOV. 4.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Massilia s—38 bales wool, M J Joomabhoy and Co; 1 bale wool, Manjee; 4 bales silk kakoon, K Nixon and Co.

FOR LONDON.

Oceana s—4,000 cwts Mussoor, 2,260 cwts castorseed, Ralli Bros; 20 bales hides, R M Kooka; 2,000 cwts Mussoor Louis Dreyfus and Co; 6 cases Indian condiments, Teacher and Co; 19 cases Indian condiments, Jussawalla; 429 lbs ivory, A Visram; 5 cases Indian N K condiments, W Muncherjee and Sons; 50 cwts fishmews, M J Joomabhoy and Co; 14 cwts fishmews B Dhunjee and Co; 4,000 cwts boneseal, Croft Mody and Co; 472 cwts jute, M P Mehta; 3 cases Indian condiments, S Rustomji; 1 bale carpets Flaming Shaw and Co; 219 casks skins, Niamudin and Co; 17 bales skiand hides, P E Boyce and Sons; 15 bales skins, R M Kooka; 23 bales skins, J M Pooniabhoy and Co; 45 bales skins, A H Mahomed and Co; 117 tales skins and hides E D Sassoon and Co; 2,500 cwts my rabollams, 1,500 cwts cottonseed; G Madhowji and Co; 145 cwts turmereo, 4 cwts wox, 40 cwts Kajoorus, 19 cwts nuxvomica P Goorjee and Co.

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Castello s—1,800 cwts castorseed, Ralli Bros; 1,000 cwts castorseed, L Dreyfus and Co

Silver fale s—2,040 cwts castorseed, M Valabdas.

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Schwarzenfels s—563 cwts rapeseed, Ralli Bros; 10 bales silk waste, M Lalchand.

Wortenfels s—825 bales Cotton. Bamjee and Co; 3,558 cwt tilliseed and 5,022 cwt rapeseed, Ralli Brothers: 110 bales Cotton, J A Beggie and Co; 402 cwt Myrabollams, W Becher; 136 bales twist Khan and Khan.

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FOR HONGKONG

Delia s—100 bales twist Sassoon David and Co; 320 bales twist David Sassoon and Co

FOR SHANGHAI,

Delia s—300 bales twist C Bomanjee and Co; 400 bales twist Sassoon J David and Co; 700 bales twist, David Sassoon and Co: 500 bales twist, A R J Abraham.

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Takasaki Maru s—300 bales cotton, Ralli Brothers.

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LONDON, *November* 3.] [BOMBAY, *November* 4.

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Packages.	Value.	From	Vessel.	Importer.
	Rs.			
1 Box Sovs ...	2,250	Alexandria	Oriental	A G H A A Rim
Gold Coins ...	1,533			
1 Bundle Rupees	2,500	Abbas	C Craft	E Hasam
1 Bundle Sovs ..	270	Mandvie	Linga	Mack Mackenzie & Co
Rupees	430			
8 Packages Sovs	25,359	Jeddah	Mohammadi	Sundry Natives
Gold Coins ...	5,795			
Rupees	328			

BOMBAY MARKETS.

MONDAY EVENING, [4TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

FINANCIAL.

Money :—

The Bank of Bombay cash balance is Rs. 96 lacs down.

Exchange :—

The Market opened irrigular, credits being quoted from 1s. 4 -32d. to 1s. 4 11-32d. for 3 months' sight. Bills were placed at the lower rate but the uncertain tendency of the Discount Market in London makes Banks cautious about buying. There were sellers of T. T. at 1s. 3 15-16 but the enquiry was limited. Far Eastern rates are steady. The Bank are close until Thursday morning for Public Holidays.

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T. T. on London	1s. 3 15/16d.	
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Do. 3 months' sight—France	170 1/4	
Do. 3 months' sight—Marks	139 3/4	
Hongkong—30 days' sight ..	151	
Yokohama—30 days' sight ...	150 1/2	
Shanghai—30 days' sight ...	223	

Government Paper :—

At opening to-day the quotation for ready Paper was 96 5-8 and for the settlement 96 1-2. There has not been much doing in the Bazaar but rates early fell 1-16 all round. Nothing much has been done either for ready or forward. Calcutta market was advised as 96 11-16 ready and 96 1-2 for delivery forward in a month.

We quote :—

Cash	Rs	96-9
1st Settlement	"	96 7

Bullion :—

On Saturday Bar silver in London advanced 1-8 for ready to 2 5-8 and 3-16 for forward to 27 15-16. New York closed 5-8 higher at 59 7-8. In the local Bazaar rates opened at 70 1-2 ex-duty but on moderate selling the quotation closed at 70 1-4. Forward rates are as under. Bar gold is steady.

We quote :—

	Ls.	a.	p
English Bar Gold	24	2	0
Australian Bar Gold	24	1	0
Bombay Bar Gold	24	0	0
English Shield Sovereigns	15	0	0
English Dragon Sovereigns	15	0	0
Silver ex Duty—Ready	70	4	0
Ditto 1st Settlement ...	70	7	0
Ditto 2nd " ...	70	8	0

COTTON.

Market Report :—

The market opened quiet with rates about Re. 1 below Saturday's closing quotations except for Broach, which was steady. Japan shippers are in the market for Oomras descriptions, but for Europe there is little or nothing doing. Export houses are still still offering to sell Bengals. A moderate butiness in reported, the bazaar being buyers. The market closes easier, as under, after receipt of the Liverpool opener.

In spot cotton only a small business was done at Colaba, and the market for old crop is quiet, prices being easier.

QUOTATIONS :—

	Rs.	Delivery.
Fine M. G. Broach	245	March 08.
Good M. G. Broach ...	266	"
Fine " Nagpur Kamptee Damangaum Pulgaum ...	235	January 08.
" " Khangaum-Akola	229	
" " Amnoti	221	
" Muttia	231	
F. M. G. Khandesh ...	207	
Fine M. G. Khandesh ...	202	
" Bengals ...	211	
F. G. H. G. "	190	

Liverpool Opener :—

Easier.

Opening Tone	
Estimated Sales	7,000 bales
Total Imports	6,000 "

Future Delivery Prices :—

N.-D.	D.-J.	J.-F	F.-M.	M.-A.
5 60	5-59	5-58	5-58	5-57
—09	—09	—08	—08	—09
A. M.	M.-J.	J.-J.	J.-A.	
5-57	5-57	5-56	5-54	
—09	—08	—07	—08	

MISCELLANEOUS.

Linseed :—

The market is quiet with little doing, and we quote :—

Ready	Rs.	8 5 0 B. T.
December	"	8 12 0 B. T.
May...	"	8 14 0 B. T.

Rapeseed :—

The market is quiet but steady with a small business passing. We quote :—

Brown Cawnpore	Rs.	9 12 0
Yellow Gujerat.	"	10 10 0

Gingellyseed :—

Is also quiet but steady with little or no demand. We quote as under :—

Bold White 85 p. c....	Rs.	62 0 0 Dec.-Jan.
" " 75 p. c. ...	"	61 0 0
Black Kutni... ...	"	53 0 0

Poppyseed :—

Rs. 12 6 0

Tone—Firm.

Castorseed :—

Rs 20 0 0

Tone—Quiet.

Cottonseed :—

Rs 28 0 0

Tone—Steady

Mowrasseed :—

Ready ... ... Rs. 5 11 0 B. T.

Tone—Steady.

GROUNDNUTS :—

Rs. 48 0 0 Jan.-Feb.

Tone—Easier.

Wheat :—

The market continues firm, but there is little business doing. We quote :—

White Delhi, April-May. Rs. 5 15 0 R T.

The Share market is closed for the Dewali Holidays.

RECEIPTS.

The following are the receipts of Cotton and Produce into Bombay during the 24 hours ended at 6 p.m. on Saturday :—

Cotton	2,755	bales.
Wheat	3,502	owts
Linseed	1,311	"
Rapeseed	Nil	"
Gingellyseed	25,666	"
Castorseed	64	"
Groundnuts	93	"
Cottonseed	8,966	"
Myrabollams	8,962	"
Cottonseed	2 030	"
Mowrasseed	3,844	"
Gram	2 523	"
Jowar	854	"
Maize	496	"

BANK OF BOMBAY.

The following is the statement of the affairs of the Bank of Bombay, for the week ending 2nd Nov., 1907, as compared with the statement of 26th Oct. 1907 :—

LIABILITIES.	Oct. 26. Rs.	Nov. 2. Rs.
Capital	1,00,00,000	1,00,00,000
Reserve Fund	96,00,000	96,00,000
Public Deposits at Head Office	59,97,828	42,0 ,294
Public Deposits at Branches	50,22,249	40,70,378
Other Deposits	8,99,08,773	8,31,20,189
Post Bills	12,657	12,857
Sundries	22,72,091	23,46,363
	Rs.. 12,28,12,898	11,34,16,883
ASSETS.		
Government Securities	1,39,12,297	1,37,02,550
Other authorised Securities	35,61,963	33,23,765
redits on Govt. and other authorised Securities	1,18,54,041	1,18,97,917
Loans do. do.	1,81,35,138	1,86,01,6?1
Bills discounted and purchased	2,73,29,329	2,58,92,020
ad Stock	3,29,727	3,29,728
Stamps	3,350	3,376
Bullion	6,85,635	6,54,895
Balances with other Banks.....	16,90,108	8,17,670
Sundries	2,03,191	2,31, 26
Cash	4,51,14,229	3,54,62,486
	12,28,12 898	11,34,16,883

BANK OF BENGAL.

THE following is the statement of the affairs of the Bank of Bengal for the week ending 29th Oct, 1907, as compared with the statement of 22nd Oct, 1907 :—

LIABILITIES.	Oct. 22. Rs.	a.	p.	Oct. 29. Rs.	a.	p.
Capital paid up	2,00,00,000	0	0	2,00,00,000	0	0
Reserve Fund	1,50,00,000	0	0	1,50,00,000	0	0
Public Deposits, &c	1,87,62,998	3	9	1,88,70,911	13	9
Other Deposits, &c.....	151737,87	5	7	15,60,86,262	13	1
Bank Post Bills, &c	7,66,875	12	10	7,75,507	11	6
Sundries	15,17,233	3	0	15,74,328	6	8
Rs	2089-4,777	8	2	21,26,0 ,010	12	6
ASSETS.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Government Securities	2,66,70,554	0	0	2,65,83,914	0	0
Other authorised Investments	36,10,082	15	0	36,45,880	13	0
Loans on Govt. and other authorised Securities...	4,13,80,928	6	4	4,10,14,147	2	9
Accounts of Credit on do...	3,57,94,434	4	6	3,68,39,010	13	7
Bills discounted &c	3,83,29,349	1	0	3,89,61,156	14	8
Balances with other Banks..	12,52,679	4	2	14,41,230	2	1
Bullions						
Dead Stock	16,89,827	13	11	16,90,019	7	1
Stamps	15,435	9	0	14,878	11	10
Sundries	1,67,679	7	3	1,68,303	12	4
	149111,272	13	2	15,01,66,539	13	4
Cash &c., at Head Office ..	5,91,73,504	11	0	6,24,46,477	15	2
Do. at Branches ..						
Rs..	206284,777	8	2	21,26,07,010	12	6

LIABILITIES.	Rs.	
Govt. Balance at Head Office	3,26,383	Decrease
Do. at Branches ..	2,34,197	Increase
Other Deposits	43,46,392	Do.
Post Bills	5,832	Do.
ASSETS.		
Bank's Investments	51,142	Decrease
Loans	3,54,781	Do.
Accounts of Credit	9,44,574	Increase
Mercantile Bills	4,31,807	Dos
Cash at Head Office.....	21,89,146	Do.
Do. at Branches.....	10,83,328	Do.

INDIAN YARN IN CHINA.

Messrs. Phirozsha B. Patit & Co.'s yarn Market report dated Hongkong, 18th October, :—

The outstanding feature of the fortnightly period has been a violent slump in silver causing exchange on India to drop from Rs. 155 per cent. at date of our last circular to Rs. 154 per cent. at time of closing. While it might have been expected that the collapse in silver would have brought about some agitation in the yarn market, a disturbance is conspicuous by its absence. Indeed, the attitude of both dealers and speculators may be described as purely apathetic. In the absence of business, quotations given herein are purely conjectural, excepting in the few cases of special favourite "chops" in which actual business has taken place. Owing to the pronounced hesitancy on the part of dealers to name any prices, the task of determining accurate quotations in the immediate future is a somewhat difficult one. Nor is the difficulty minimized by the fact that, directly one firm of importers determine to sell at a given rate, another is prompt to step in at a figure to undersell his competitor. While this anxiety prevails to unload stocks on an irresponsive market, importers stand to lose by a policy dictated against their own interests.

Moreover native dealers are endowed with sufficient perception to observe that with the reported failure of the autumnal harvest in India and the near approach of the Hindu New Year on the 5th November next the bogie of a partial financial crisis in India can be safely reckoned with. Orders are therefore presently limited to purely immediate requirements only as a slackening in prices is anticipated. This latter anticipation is strengthened by the belief that the Northern ports will be frozen towards the end of next month when the outlets provided by the great marts of the Yangtse ports will be closed to the importation of yarn.

Again the continued unsettled conditions in the South restrict orders from the Interior to a very material extent. It is true that the disturbances in the three lower prefectures of Kwangtung do not seem to be possessed of an organised leading but the chronic outbreak of lawlessness in a somewhat acute form recently renders the shipment of merchandese into the disturbed area a rather precarious venture.

Both thprice and silprospects are reported to be entirely satisfactory and should par lally mitigate the evils with which trade in South China has been for some time past severely penalized.

No. 20s.—A tn derate business transpired. Prices of this count, in many chops, show no improvement. Some selected threads fetched dols. 1 better.

No. 12s.—Not much in favour. A small business is reported at current rates

No. 12s —Moved slowly; prices in some instances show an advance of dols 1-2 to dols. 1 1/2 per bale.

No. 10s.—Demand continued in this count. Nearly all chops have been dealt in, and prices show an improvement of from dols. 1 to dols 3 per bale.

No. 8s.—Neglected.

No. 6s.—Only two threads changed hands at last mail's prices.

Market closes steady.

Sales :—175 bales of 0. 6s ; 4,715 bales of No. 10s, 480 bales of No. 12s., 265 bales of No. 16s. ; and 1,065 bales of No. 20s. ; in all about 6,700 bales.

Arrivals :—Per steamer "Catherine Apcar, Fooksang and Kunsang" (from Calcutta), and "Lev nzo, Wakamya Maru, Istok, Kagoshima Maru and Arcadia" (from Bombay) of about 10,000 bales.

Unsold Stock :—About 41,000 bales.
Uncleared Stock :—About 29,000 bales.
Exchange :—We quote to-day as follows: —

India	T. T.	at Rs.	154¼ per cent.
"	Demand	" "	154 "
London	T. T.	" Sh.	2,0 1/16d. = $
"	Demand	" "	2.0 11/16d. = $
Shanghai		" Tls.	73 1/2 = $
Silver		"	28 1/16d. per oz.

The same Company's circular dated Shanghai, 12th October, says :—

Since we wrote last, there has been no improvement in the Indian yarn market. Owing to lack of enquiry from the yarn-consuming provinces, a moderate business was done on the basis of our last quotations. Even the continued, heavy fall in Exchange during the second half of the period under report, which is attributed to the failure of crops in some parts of India, did not tend to raise the level of prices. A few buyers, who need certain chops of No. 10s., were disposed to pay a small advance of Tael 1/4 to 3/4 a bale on previous rates, but, as this could not compensate for the loss in Exchange, importers naturally refused to accept such offers. Szechuen is reported to have purchased a considerable quantity of Chinese yarn, which could be had at lower prices. There was no demand for No. 16s Clearances were fairly satisfactory. At the close the tone of the market is quiet. No. 10s, Szechuen and Tientsin bought most of this count. About 3,000 bales were sold.

No. 12s. Chinkiang bought about 635 bales.

No. 16s This count was altogether neglected.

No. 20s. Have met with attention from Szechuen. About 1,100 bales changed hands.

Total sales of Indian yarn during the fortnight about 4,735 bales.

Arrivals of Indian yarn during the fortnight about 6,976 bales.

Estimated unsold stock about 75,000 bales.
Sold but uncleared stock about 40,000 bales.

CLOSING RATES OF EXCHANGE,

On India	T.T. Rs.	212¾	per Tls 100
" Hongkong	" Tls.	73¼	per dol 100
" London	" 2s	10 1/8	per Tl

THE LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Messrs. Tata Sons & Co.'s Liverpool friend writes on oct. 15 :—

We confirm our respects of 8th inst.

Yesterday evening we telegraphed to our friends that killing frost had occurred in almost all parts of the cotton belt. It is of course impossible to know as yet what has been its effect. This will depend on further weather developments, and we hope to have more details when we write next week. Up to now, we have seen temperatures of 30° Fahr but only here and there.

In America, the term "killing frost" is frequently applied to a temperature of 34° to 36° Fahr., which, however, is not quite correct, for an actual freeze cannot take place when the thermometer is over 32° Fahr.; and a temperature just over 32° only withers the outer leaves, and allows the sun to penetrate to the lower bolls and ripen them, if the weather becomes favorable again.

The frost question is, of course, just now one of the most important but the question of trade conditions is still more important. A valued friend remarked to us yesterday:—"It is not the crop you must follow, but trade."

What is then the industrial position at present?

We must admit that there is not the wonderful prosperity which prevailed previously.

From America our friends cable this morning that the prices of cloth have been reduced all round, that there are large stocks, and that business is no longer as good as it was.

In Lancashire good contracts have been made for the next three or four months but here and there stocks of cloth are difficult to sell.

In the Oldham district trouble with the workpeople is feared. Spinners of the fine counts are to make a formal demand for an increase of 12 1/2 to 20 per cent. in wages at the end of this month and declare that they will not be satisfied with less.

As for the Continent, spinners have a great deal of cotton, business continues good, but not so brilliant as of late.

Spinners on the Continent who use Indian Cotton seem to have bought last year very large quantities of this growth, when the price was very low, compared with American. They secured their requirements for more than a year in advance, so that a large crop from India will not be needed this year, as far as they are concerned.

As a matter of fact, the crop outlook in India is not very promising. The reports received are unfavorable and a small yield is feared. This would naturally reduce the buying power of the Indian peasant, especially considering the great decline in the value of silver the last few days.

We therefore place no trust in those who predict a largely increased consumption for this season. We must remember that the "boom" HAS TAKEN PLACE; it is over as regards wool, copper, etc., and probably will soon be over in cotton.

No. All things considered, we have still before us the prospect of a large crop (unless it should be reduced by continued bad weather); the depressed condition of the money market; the decline in stocks and shares; the lessened demand for cloth and manufactured goods. All these things must we think bring us lower prices.

EGYPTIAN COTTON.

The market has been very steady the last few days, and to-day there is a marked advance, in consequence of large purchases for account of Alexandria firms.

Our Egyptian confreres are perhaps a little more impressionable than we, and on the first reports of killing frost here and there in America, have thrown themselves on to Egyptian cotton. Hence to-day's advance

Corp reports are not as brilliant as they have been previously. Somehow or other, the news we receive does not seem to point to a monster crop after all. The figure of 7 1/2 to 8 millions seems to have fallen into the background, and 7 1/4 to 7 1/2 million cantars is now the accepted idea.

Spinners are doing well and continue to make good profits, so that for the moment, everything seems to point to higher prices.

But—and there is always a "but"—we really do not see why the advance has occurred. The mystery is intensified by the small sales of spot cotton here. Magnificent Upper Egyptian cotton is offered—Fully Good Fair to Good at 9 3/8d. but there are no buyers.

Why should there be no one to buy spot, and yet so many buyers of futures?

We can only conclude that the market is responding to outside influences, but that the situation is not so favourable as some would have us believe.

For the moment, therefore, we are puzzled, and dare not express a decided opinion.

Oct. :—6. 20d.
O/N :—6. 13d.
J/F :—6. 01d.
M/A :—6. 01d.

Options—D/J,	single	0 20d,	double	0. 40d.
J/F,	"	0. 26d,	"	0. 52d.
F/M,	"	0. 29d,	"	0. 58d
M/A,	"	0. 32d,	"	0. 64d.

Egyptian :—

Nov., Liverpool :—9. 59/64d.
Jan., " 9. 53/64d.
Nov., Alexandria :—T. 19. 13/32.
Jan., " T. 19. 25/32.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

SQUADRON ORDERS.

Bombay, Nov. 3.

It is notified for general information that the Standing Camp will open at Santa Cruz on the 1st December 1907.

Applicants for accommodation other than week-end, are required to give 10 days notice in writing to the Sergeant Instructor.

T. W CUFFE Major
Comdg B L H.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LT.-COL. LOUIS P. RUSSELL

COMMANDING, B. V. A.

Bombay, Nov. 6.

324 PROFICIENCY CLASS.

There will be a Lecture at the B.V.A. Club on Wednesday, the 6th instant, at 7 p. m.

Dress Plain clothes.

325 DRILLS.

No. 2 Co., Nesbit Road Mazagon Rifle and Marching Exercise on Tuesday and Thursday evening at 9 p. m,

Dress plain clothes.

326 E R Co.

Parade on Wednesday the 6th inst, at Apollo Bunder at 6-30 p. m. and proceed to Middle Ground to man defence Lights.

327 TRUMPETERS PRACTICE.

There will be practice for Trumpeters on the Church Gate Sands on Tuesday the 5th instant at 6-45 p.m.

328 ISSUE OF ARMS AND ACCOUTREMENTS

Arms and accoutrements with be issued as follows :—

No. 1 Coy Daily after the 7th instant from 9 30 to 12 noon and from 6-45 to 7-30 p.m. Friday the 8 inst.

No 2 Coy after Drill on Thursday the 7th inst.

329 TRANSFER.

Sapper J Mansell is transferred from the E E Co to No 3 Co at Kirkee with effect from 18th inst

330 LEAVE.

The Le ve granted to Major J. J. Marsland on 31-7-07 is extended to 3rd February 1908

B. W. FISHER, Lieut.,
Adjt., B. V. A.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT.-COL. B. W. L. DUNLOP COMMANDING B. V. R.

Bombay. Nov. 5,

379. Detail for the week ending Saturday the 9th instant.

To-day Tuesday the 5th—"M" Coy Parade on company parade ground at 5-30 p m.

II—"I" Coy Parade on company parade ground at 4-15 p m

III—"L" Coy Parade on company parade ground at 4-45 p.m.

IV School of Arms, at the Y M C A association at 7 p m.

V—Bugle practice in rear of Skating Rink at 6-30 p m.

Wednesday the 6th—Commanding Officer's Parade, Fall in at Sir Richard Temple's Statue at 6 p m,

Dress—Drill Order Uniform with Forage Caps.

II—"H" Coy Parade on company parade ground at 5 p m.

Thursday the 7th—Semaphore Drill in rear of Telegraph Quarters at 7 a m

II—"L" Coy Parade on company parade ground at 7-45 p m.

III—"I", "K" and "M" Cos Parade on the Maidan at 4 p m,

Friday the 8th—School of Arms at the Y M C Association at 7-0 m.

II—All Recruits of the current season will parade at Head-Quarters at 7 a.m.

Saturday the 9th—The Battalion will be practiced in Advanced Rear and Flank Guards. Time and place of parade will be notified hereafter.

330.—Issue of Arms.—

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THE HYDERABAD FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

THE Budget and explanatory note of the Nizam's Government for the current official year (1317 Fasli) have been issued, while the Dewan of Mysore has been making his yearly address to the Representative Assembly on State concerns, and we are thus in a position to contrast the financial position of the two principal Indian feudatories. The year which closed in Hyderabad three weeks ago has been the most prosperous in its history, as the total revenue according to the final estimates of the Financial Department will reach to five hundred and nine lakhs of rupees, a sum which far exceeds all previous records. The explanation for this remarkable advance is to be found in the circumstance that its last agricultural year was a very good one with ample rain and bumper crops in all the districts. The result of the favourable conditions is that the land revenue collections rose to about forty lakhs above the average and will amount to two and a half crores. But Hyderabad, like the rest of India, is not always fortunate in these matters, as two years ago scarcity appeared in four of the districts, and it seems probable that the coming twelve months hold a similar fate, as already there are indications that the deficient rainfall has affected agricultural operations in various areas. The estimated revenue for the current year has therefore been fixed at a sum which is eighteen lakhs below the record achieved by the State in 1316 Fasli, and it is not unlikely that the final revision of the figures will reduce it still further.

According to the Dewan's statement the Mysore revenue for last year was exactly half the sum gathered in Hyderabad, a fact which emphasises the large financial gap between the first and second Native States in India, and enables one to realise more clearly the important position occupied by the Nizam's Dominions, even when stripped of their fairest province. A decade ago the cash balances and investments of the South Indian State amounted to almost one hundred and forty lakhs, but owing to the causes recited in Mr. Madhava Rao's address they have now receded to less than a crore, and two years since the Mysore Government had scarcely sufficient funds to meet their ordinary treasury transactions. The financial situation in Hyderabad in the mid-nineties was far from hopeful as the Nizam was then engaged in suppressing the autocratic pretensions of a Minister who had been foisted upon the State, and whose extravagance was phenomenal, even for the Deccan. To-day, as a result of the ruler's determination to administer his own Government, prosperity has reappeared in the State, and we are enabled to gauge its advance by the extremely lucid statistics given in Mr. Casson Walker's Budget note. These indicate that the State assets at the present time reach the large total of eight hundred and twenty lakhs, while its liabilities are less than this amount. Its investments in Government of India paper are a hundred and sixty-eight lakhs, and its cash balances at the close of the last official year were four and a quarter crores. Its financial engagements include the reimbursement of a large loan from the Imperial Government, and the charges on account of the Berar famine, both of which now stand at two hundred and forty seven lakhs. But as the agreement concerning Berar stipulated for the repayment of those sums from the rent of the province, they can scarcely be classed as current liabilities of the State, and consequently the latter may fairly be stated at a hundred and twenty-four lakhs, leaving its unencumbered assets at six hundred and ninety-six lakhs. These figures are eloquent testimony to the strong financial position of Hyderabad, and of a prosperity which has been unequalled since the first of the Nizams erected it into an independent kingdom.

The Budget note issued by Mr. Walker contains much interesting information concerning the conversion of the State coinage which has now been proceeding for the last six years, and is apparently approaching completion, as the minting of silver tokens was suspended seven months ago. The Assistant Minister for Finance anticipates, however, that if the Currency Bill which is now engaging the attention of Government becomes law, there will be a largely increased demand for the new rupees, and it will be necessary to recommence coining them. His argument in reply to a representation from the Cabinet Council on the subject is that there is no danger of inflation so long as the absorption of the new rupees by the public and the commercial classes continues, and until variations in exchange between the local currency and the British tokens indicate that a limit has been reached beyond which it will not be safe to proceed. Up to the date of the suspension of minting, almost nine crores of rupees had been made, the whole of which, with the exception of fifty lakhs retained in the mint as a reserve fund, have been placed in circulation. The actual profit to the State on these operations has been about one hundred and forty lakhs. The quantity of old Hallis recalled and melted down and during this period is just below four crores, so that assuming that the State currency originally amounted to twelve crores, (the figure given by the Cabinet Council), it follows that it now stands at about seventeen crores, or over fifteen rupees per head of population. The issue of the new copper tokens has proceeded at an equally rapid rate, as over fifteen and a half crores of two-pie and half-anna pieces have been placed in circulation during the last three years. And yet the public demand for them is unsatiated, as there are frequent murmurs about the scarcity of copper money and the fluctuations in the bazaar rates between it and silver, caused by the shroffs who make financial "corners" for the manipulation of exchange The duty on bar silver which was originally raised to twenty-five per cent to check counterfeit coining really acted as an encouragement to smuggling, and although it has now been reduced to five, considerable quantities of the metal still find ingress without paying the State demand. This brief synopsis of the present position of the State currency indicates that Hyderabad is on the high road to success in a direction in which no Native State has hitherto ventured, and if care is taken, as no doubt it will be, to avoid redundancy it will presently have a coinage as stable and flexible as that which circulates in British India. Amongst the subjects of importance discussed in Mr. Casson Walker's memorandum the State railways naturally occupy a prominent place as the commercial future of the Dominions is largely dependant upon their efficient management and development. A number of fresh projects for extending the present lines which have a total length of 746 miles only, and by no means meet all requirements, have been under consideration for several years, but for some reasons not disclosed the Board of Directors in London favour a policy of hastening slowly which is not appreciated at Hyderabad. Hence the memorandum contains some strong allusions to the obstructive tactics of the present Company and a threat to seek assistance elsewhere unless greater celerity is exhibited in undertaking extensions which are admittedly required to tap fresh sources of traffic. The yellow book also refers to several other interesting questions which we may consider on a future occasion ; for the present we felicitate His Highness on the prosperous circumstances of his principality as disclosed in this memorandum, and predict that when he receives the Viceroy next month, Lord Minto will take advantage of his visit to Hyderabad to express his unqualified pleasure with the progress it has made during the last five years.

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THE TURKISH ARMY.

It is a truism to say that the Turk is a good soldier, but it must not be inferred from this that the Turkish army is a very formidable instrument, particularly of offence. And yet it might easily be made so, for some of the human material at the Sultan's command is very fine. Within the Ottoman Empire military service is obligatory on all Mahomedans with the exception of the inhabitants of Constantinople and some of the outlying provinces of the Empire. In matter of fact the Arab and the Albanian contingents are always below par, for the authorities are unable to enforce their regulations in these lawless parts of the Empire. In time of war the army would include about a million of men, of whom the Turks from European and Asiatic Turkey would form the backbone. The Turk proper is the best soldier at the disposal of the Sultan. His bravery is well-known, and was manifested on a large scale in the Russo-Turkish war of thirty years ago. It proceeds chiefly from the temperament of the race, and has but little to do with the enthusiasm propogated by his warlike creed. Like the Russian, the Turkish soldier possesses amazing powers of endurance, and like the Chinaman he is practically without nerves, which implies remarkable fearlessness or impassiveness owing to physical unconsciousness of danger. Besides all this the Turkish levy is extremely susceptible of discipline and continues to obey his military superiors with alacrity under conditions of military service which would have induced mutiny in any other army years ago. But unfortunately the good qualities of the individual soldier will not in modern war atone for lack of organisation and inefficient leadership. So deficient in officers, organisation and equipment is the Turkish army at the present day that, as we are informed by M. de Bilinski in a recent article of the *Contemporary Review*, "in a war with a civilized Power nothing but splendid episodes leading to no practical results are to be expected of it unless it enjoyed, in a very marked degree, the advantage of numbers." It is well known that twenty years ago the Sultan took into his employment a number of German officers with a view to reform his military system. Consequently, it is supposed that the Ottoman army is now in a first-class condition, an assumption which is wholly false. For we are assured "that the Sultan's object in engaging the German mission was to throw dust in the eyes of Europe and his own people."

The arrangement practically proved to be a farce. For Abdul Hamid, "being a monomaniac, sees an internal source of danger to his throne and person in every step towards reform, and more particularly in an army with a sense of its own efficiency." The opposition resultant from this fixed idea was sufficient to stultify the efforts of the President of the German mission, Baron von der Goltz. Some petty reforms with regard to recraitment and mobilisation were the only ones that were carried through, and with this exception and the matter of armament, which is pretty well up-to-date, the Turkish army has either remained stationary or retrograded during the last quarter of a century, The training of the Turkish soldier is confined to elementary drill in the barrack-yard. Shooting and manœuvres are forbidden, as in the Sultan's opinion they are likely to provide opportunities for a movement directed against the Palace. The educational equipment of the officers is practically nil, so that, it is obvious, up-to-date armament is simply a waste ful superfluity. Worse than this, it has been the practice of the Sultan to sow dissension and rivalry among the troops of the different races making up the Empire, a policy likewise inspired by fear of any combination directed against himself. Moreover, every officer is tempted by hopes of promotion to spy upon his colleagues and report their movements, a habit utterly destructive of *esprit de corps*. Success often leads to popularity, but popularity in its turn leads to exile in Turkey, so that the most powerful motive to distinguished service, whether in peace or war, is absent from the Ottoman forces. Finally, there is a lamentable incompleteness and imperfection in the commissariat and medical arrangements, Owing to bad and insufficient food, absence of sanitary precautions and ambulance, the Turkish forces in the field in any war will be discounted at least 20 per cent. Therefore, an army which might be one of the most formidable military machines in the world is likely to find some difficulty in securing victory in the coming struggle with Bulgaria, and any greater Power, when confronted by the Turks, need have no fear. The present Sultan has much to answer for, and the most intelligent Turks are hardly anxious for his inauspicious reign to be prolonged.

PLAGUE IN THE PUNJAB.

A RESOLUTION by the Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab shows that in his province, during last year, plague was of unprecedented severity and he contemplates a further period of similar affliction. Government has decided to increase the staff and instead of scattering it all over the province to concentrate it in the worst infected areas. The measures for combating plague are declared to have, for the most part, stood the test of time and experience, and will need but little alteration to adjust them to the latest conclusions of scientific research. The measures which still hold the field as practical and useful palliatives for dealing with the disease are evacuation, inoculation, rat destruction and disinfection by heat The value of chemical disinfection, in the opinion of the Punjab Government, has been largely discounted by experience and research, both as a practical measure and also as a definite prophylactic against plague, and it is unnecessary to include it any longer in the programme of measures for dealing with the disease. The most important and efficient remedy against the spread of plague lies in the evacuation of inhabited sites for a period sufficient to tide over the presence of infection. The value of the measure is beginning to be understood and appreciated in the portions of the province which have suffered most severely from plague, but its practical effect is largely neutralised by the incomplete and unsatisfactory manner in which it is generally carried out. Apart from the inconvenience entailed in leaving house and home for considerable periods, the main obstacles to voluntary and sustained evacuation consist in the difficulty of insuring the safe custody of property, the inability of the poorer members of the community to provide themselves with shelters, and religious and personal prejudices on the part of certain sections of the population. In order to assist the people in overcoming, as far as possible, practical obstacles of the nature referred to, the Lieutenant-Governor has decided to place at the disposal of Deputy Commissioners sums of money to be utilised for the express purpose of encouraging evacuation in rural areas in the manner which may be found most appropriate to the circumstances of individual villages or tracts. The sums so allotted are to be expended as a rule in villages where complete evacuation has taken place, but the Deputy Commissioner will be allowed to exercise his discretion should he find that a restriction of this nature is prejudicial to the encouragement of evacuation in his district. The Lieutenant-Governor finds it impossible to frame any specific scheme for the encouragement of evacuation and in view of the varying conditions and needs of different tracts in the province, he only indicates, on general lines, the objects on which expenditure can usefully be incurred and leave it to district officers to utilise their allotments to the best advantage. The provision of facilities for inoculation has been a feature of the plague policy of Government for some years past, and it is believed to be only necessary to continue the efforts, which have been made, by advice and suasion to bring its advantages home to the people. The existing provision of inoculation stations at the headquarters of tahsils, at dispensaries where there are Assistant Surgeons, and in municipal towns will be continued, and the services of the special Plague Staff will be utilised to the full in all cases where the measure seems likely to be popular. The co-operation of lady doctors for the inoculation of females is to be enlisted where ever possible ; and it is intended to entertain a certain number of them, if competent persons can be found.

THE P. & O. Company's s. s. "Egypt" with the outward Mails of the 25th ultimo, left Aden at 6 p.m., on Sunday and is expected to arrive in Bombay at 6 a.m., on Friday next.

THE P. and O. s. s. *Delhi*, left Hongkong, at 2 p. m., on 2nd instant.

THE Florio and Rubattino Co.'s s.s. "Fichia" from Bombay, arrived at Hongkong on the 4th instant.

THE N. Y. K. steamer "Yetorofu Maru" left Singapore for Colombo on the 2nd instant, and s. s. "Totomi Maru" arrived at Colombo on Sunday.

THE Messageries Maritimes Co's. s.s. *Ville de la Ciotat* left Aden for Bombay on Saturday 2nd instant, and she is expected here on Thursday, the 7th instant at 10 a. m.

THE goods traffic on the B. B. and C. I. Railway for the week ending 12th October 1907, shows a decrease on the corresponding week of 1906 of 87,928 mds. and Rs. 44,380 in the earnings.

THEIR Excellencies Sir Arthur and Lady Lawley, with Misses Lawley, accompanied by Mr. A. V. G. Campbell, I. C. S., Private Secretary, and Capt. Torrie, left Ooty on Sunday evening for Mangalore, an important seaport towns on the West Coast.

THE railway extension to Ooty is fast becoming a reality. On Saturday morning Mr. Lawton, the Executive Engineer had a ballast run upon the new line as far as Wellington. In all probability trains will run to Ooty next season.

A PRETTY wedding was celebrated at the Cathedral yesterday morning between Miss Marjorie Cecile Hill, youngest daughter of the late Mr. William Le Hill of Findon, Northamptonshire, and of Mrs. Hill, of Rugby, to Mr. Carlton Stubbs, of this journal, younger son of the Rev. J. Stubbs, Huish Episcopi Langport, Somerset. The bride was given away by by Mr. G. C. Plinston ; and Mr. A. H. Byrt, of the "Times of India," acted as bestman, while the bride was accompanied by one bridesmaid, Miss Wallis After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Stubbs left for Aurangabad on their honeymoon.

RAO BAHADUR HARGOVINDAS KANTAWALA Dewan of Lunawada, gave a garden party in honour of His Highness Sir Wakhatsingji yesterday evening in the public park. The grounds about the pavilion presented a very fascinating spectacle The Gaekwar the resident, Mrs. Meade, the Rajaji Princes Fatteh sing Rao, Shivajirao, Ranjitsingji, Raghunathsingji and Captain Harrison, the Dewan, and other officials were present. Having spent an hour in games music and conservation, the guests dispersed after partaking of refreshments. The State Band played during the entertainment.

POSSIBLY, says "Country Life," the golf ball flies far in the rare air at Evian-les-Bains, a delightful place, where they have lately laid out a course ; they are contemplating a hole 700 yards long. The balls must have most notable effects to inspire such vigour in the golfer who desires these lengths.

THE Governor of Warsaw has ordered three of the most prominent directors of the Polish School Society to leave the country, on the ground that its activity is detrimental to the State. The Society, adds Reuter, has already established 900 Polish elementary schools.

LOYSON, the former cashier of the Bank of Brussels, who recently absconded with a sum of £13,000, has confessed (says "Reuter") to the examining magistrate. Part of the stolen money was found concealed at the house of a lady who was a friend of Loyson's, and the rest at the house of another friend.

A TELEGRAM from Madras says : Luring October 1,050 tons of ore were crushed at Dharwar reefs. The company's battery, which yielded 511 ozs. of gold average value tailings during the month was 6 dwts. per ton. These are being accumulated for treatment as soon as necessary ; alterations and additions to the cyanide plant (consequent on the abnormal amount of graphide in the ore) are completed.

SIR WILLIAM GARSTIN, who has become a British Government director of the Suez Canal Company in the place of the late Sir John Ardagh, is now in his fifty-ninth year, who was born in India, and has passed a large part of his life either in that Dependency or in Egypt. He was appointed Inspector-General of Irrigation in the last-named country in May, 1892, and since 1904 has been Adviser to the Ministry of Public Works. Sir William was intimately connected with the arrangements made for the construction of the great Nile dam at Assouan.

UNDER THE SOUTHERN CROSS.

DEFENCE CONTRACTS.

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TATTERSALL'S SWEEPS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MELBOURNE, OCTOBER 21.

Now that the works estimates have been passed by the Commonwealth Parliament, the Minister of Defence is giving serious consideration to the question of placing orders for new guns, emplacements, lights, &c., embracing the rearmament proposals, for which a sum of £50,000 has been set aside for expenditure during the current year. In accordance with the recommendation of the officers' committee, new 6-inch Mark VII. guns are being mounted by instalments at the different forts throughout the Commonwealth. Five have come to hand. Two have been mounted at Sydney heads, two at the new Fremantle fortress and one in South Australia. In placing the orders for this year's instalment probably another five or six guns—the Minister will bear in mind the avowed policy of the Government to have everything possible made in Australia. The guns themselves, of course, cannot be manufactured here at present, but there is every reason to believe that the gun carriages and mountings can be constructed by local engineering firms. The carriages alone cost about £800 each, and as probably another 20 or 25 guns are required to complete the rearmament, the placing of orders locally for the construction of the carriages would mean the expenditure of at least £16,000 among Australian firms. The Government, however, will not invite tenders locally until after the guns to be ordered this year have arrived. Samples of the mountings will then be available for prospective tenderers in each of the States, and the department will be in possession of full information with regard to the construction of these formidable weapons. The castings of the pedestals alone on which the guns rest consist of a solid block of metal weighing eight tons. Faulty casting would mean the destruction of the mountings the first time the gun was fired with possibly serious consequences to the gun crew. In Sydney at the present time one of these carriages lies on the scrap heap, a fault in the castings having come to light as it was being unshipped in Sydney harbour several years ago. Had the carriage been erected the probability is that the shock of the first discharge would have wrecked both the gun and the mountings. It will be recognised, therefore, that the greatest care has to be exercised in the manufacture of these machines of modern warfare. Before local firms are given an opportunity to tender the Minister will require to be completely satisfied that all the gun fixtures will be capable of passing the most stringent tests required by the Imperial Ordnance department. The Minister has instructed the Chief of Ordnance to prepare a return showing what articles may be obtained locally when he decides within the next few days to place the re-armament order.

NEW SOUTH WALES HARVEST PROSPECTS.

A close investigation of the prospects of the wheat crop in New South Wales, which have been carried out with the aid of special reports from the principal centres in the wheat belt, has revealed an alarming state of things. The absence of a general rainfall in September and no rain to speak of so far this month is likely to prove most disastrous unless the situation is speedily relieved. A fairly general rain in some of the large districts would double the anticipated yield, and phenomenally even rains all over the wheat belt, followed by cool weather, which would help to delay the maturing of the wheat, would result in a return of, say, eight bushels to the acre. Meanwhile, the best yield which can be looked for in the absence of a timely rainfall is about three bushels per acre for the whole of the State. The acreage under wheat is about the same as last year, but allowing for a small advance the area sown is put down at 2,200,000 acres and deducting 300,000 acres to be cut for hay there will be 1,900,000, acres available for grain. A yield of three bushels to the acre would give a production of 5,700,000 bushels, as against the 21,817,938 bushels, which was the official yield for 1906-7. In the dry season of 1901-2 the average yield was as low as 1·2 bushels per acre. A yield of three bushels per acre, giving a bulk return of 5,700,000 bushels would represent a shortage of about 3,303,000 bushels for the local supply. Mr. Brunton, of Brunton and Co., flour millers, expressed the belief to-day that even without rain the yield of wheat in New South Wales will be 3,000,000 or 9,000,000 bushels. The Sydney and Suburban Master Bakers' Association decided at a meeting on Saturday to further increase the price of bread to 3½d. for a 2lb. loaf.

TATTERSALL'S SWEEPS.

In the Equity Court on Tuesday Mr. Justice Street delivered judgment on some of the many questions submitted by the trustees as to the interpretation to be placed on the will of the late Mr. George Adams Tattersall's) regarding charitable trust. His Honor said he was clearly of opinion that the trust was void for uncertainty. Testator had plainly expressed his wish that his trustees, within the limits which he had stated, should have an absolute and uncontrolled discretion, and should have an absolutely free and unfettered hand in the distribution of the fund. There was no direction to apportion the fund, and to apply part of it for such of the purposes mentioned, and it was clear that it would be within the powers of the trustees to apply the whole of the fund to any one of the purposes mentioned by the testator. If, then, these purposes were not merely charitable purposes, but also comprised other purposes of an indefinite nature not charitable, the whole gift was void. The bequest to sweep employes were upheld. The question whether the trust to employ one-tenth of the net profits of the sweep business for the purposes of the business, and for charitable purposes was void from uncertainty or otherwise. His Honor answered by saying that the trust in question was not void, but that so much of the accumulations as was not used by the trustees for the furtherance, benefit and advantage of the business would be distributed in the same manner as the proceeds of the relation. According to an affidavit, at the time of testator's death, the sum of £6,651 was held in trust for sweep business in New South Wales and elsewhere. The assets of the consulations which passed under the bequest of testator's will were valued at £74,281. The trustees had not placed any value on the good-will of the sweep business, because they could not estimate its value at the time of testator's death and since. The total liability to sweep subscribers was £74,747, of which £65,627 had been paid, leaving an unclaimed balance of £9,119, of which the trustees had divided £3,688 among charities. At the time of testator's death about 77 persons were permanently employed in the sweep business. During the busy period of the year the staff was increased by about 120 more employes, whose engagements lasted from one week to two months.

MR. BENT'S NEW TAXATION SCHEME.

The Melbourne Premier's proposed Charities Taxation Bill has been drafted and it was submitted for the consideration of Cabinet yesterday. In the measure the most important tax will be that levied on the municipalities. Mr. Bent proposes to levy a 5 per cent. tax on municipal revenue exclusive of interests. The next important source of taxation will be sports and amusements. All the leading racecourses will be made to contribute, and racehorses are to be taxed at 5 on each entry in every event in which they compete. Coursing dogs will be similarly taxed. At present no charge is made for admission to the flat at Flemington. Mr. Bent proposes to make a charge of 6d. on all big days. All fees derived under the Gaming Act, estimated at £30,000 a year, will be handed over to charities. Theatres will be required to pay £5 per cent. on their profit up to a maximum contribution of £200 Fishing and shooting will be subjected to a tax, and air-guns will be practically prohibited by a tax of £5. Motorcars will pay a fee of £2, motor bicycles 10, bicycles 5, and pleasure vehicles £1. It has been estimated that there are from 80,000 to 100 000 cycles in use, so that a tax of 2 each would bring in from £20,000 to £25,000. Mr. Bent's latest proposition is to levy a tax on newspapers for the benefit of charities. He proposes to make it 5 per cent. on profits. Banks are also under his consideration as a subject for a charities tax, but he has not yet definitely decided to include them. An important departure in the organisation and the management of the hospitals is proposed. Provision is made in the Bill for a board to consist of a given number of members, the chairman to receive a salary of £250 and the other members £100 each. Their duties will be to allocate the funds and regulate the appointment of doctors and nurses. What revenue the measure will raise is problematical, but assuming all the imposts were levied as proposed they should bring in at least £200,000 yearly.

AUSTRALASIAN PRESS CONVENTION.

The first annual convention of the Australasian Press Association was held on Saturday. Delegates representing the press associations and country associations of Victoria, New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, and New Zealand were present. It was decided to urge the formation of an association in each State on the lines of the New South Wales association, to fix the advertising scales, to promote the interests of members in relation to cable and telegraphic services, and to deal with other matters of mutual concern. A long discussion took place on the proposal to establish an independent cable service and a committee was appointed to consider the prospects. It was resolved to urge the Federal Government to invite 25 editors from Great Britain, Canada, and the Cape to visit Australia at the expense of the Commonwealth. Opinions were expressed that this was one of the best ways to advertise Australia abroad. It was also resolved to ask the railway administrations to grant a press rate similar to that of New Zealand. The next convention is to be held in Melbourne next year.

RAINLESS NEW SOUTH WALES.

The serious outlook in the country owing to the want of rain is commented upon by visitors to various parts of the State, and all agree that the situation in many localities is critical. The Director of Agriculture (Mr. W. S. Campbell) has just returned from the Manila district, and he repeats the statements about the unsatisfactory condition of the crops. If rain were to come with the next few days many of the crops would be saved, but failing that the losses would be very severe. The continued dry weather is causing a deal of anxiety amongst stockowners, and they are hard at work endeavouring to get their stock away. There is no chance at their holding back, as water is scarce, and the waterholes are drying up. The prospects are that they are in for even a worse time as the summer progresses. With the outlook so black there is great activity amongst owners to secure trucks. In fact the demand is so abnormally heavy that the Railway Department finds it impossible to supply anything like the orders applied for. Orders have to be lodged some weeks ahead, and last Monday when the order book was opened at the goods manager's office there were well over 2,000 orders lodged for a sale early in November. It was, of course, impossible to supply them, and would have been even if starving stock had not to enter into the question at all. The number represented over 200,000 sheeps Agents are in a fix too, as they are inundated with letters from owners asking for trucks. The orders are lodged and that is all the agent can do, as the Railway Department simply cannot grant the requests. They have, however, to give both the fat and store stock equal consideration. Agents can secure only about one-sixth of the actual number applied for. A big proportion of the sheep sent to Homebush are unfortunately very young, with a great many lambs, numbers of the latter being so small and light they would never have been consigned unless owners were exceptionally hard pushed. The position is a serious one, and the only thing that can remedy it is a good general fall of rain.

MR. WATSON'S PROPOSED RETIREMENT.

Mr. Watson at Sydney has stated that his proposed retirement from political life was prompted solely by reasons of health. He felt it necessary to have complete rest and the only way he could get it was by freeing himself from the strain of politics "You can say," he added to an interviewer, "that there is no truth in the published statement that I have a commercial billet to go to. That is absolutely incorrect. I have no billet to go to." Mr. J. H. Catts, M. H. R., has ventured the opinion that the Labour Party would not lose the splendid services of Mr. Watson. The situation had been discussed by Caucus he said and he was satisfied that some arrangement would be come to by which Mr. Watson would not have to resign in order to get the desired rest. Parliament would no doubt give the necessary leave of absence and the Labour Party would be prepared to pay the expenses of a six or twelve months' trip to the Continent.

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HYDERABAD NEWS,

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

HYDERABAD, DECCAN, NOVEMBER 2.

FAMINE COMMISSION.

Owing to the partial failure of the rains here it is apprehended that nine districts in His Highness Dominions will be seriously affected unless a change takes place in the atmosphere before Devali. In order to be prepared for any emergency, His Highness has been pleased to sanction the appointment of a Committee to carry out operations in the affected districts as soon as there is the least indication of distress in those parts; and in accordance with His Highness' commands all the preliminaries have been completed, including the nomination of officials, the places and nature of the relief works, and so on. The Committee consists of Messrs. A. J. Dunlop (Commissioner), Gayer, Fazil Muraj, and Karamatullah. The work will consist mainly of the construction of new roads in the various districts and substantial repairs to the existing ones which are out of order. The rest will be the repair of some of the important irrigation tanks and channels, supplemented by substantial masonry work, so that the work may be of permanent use. The entire arrangement has been happily thought out and planned, and with a well-filled Treasury and the sytematic checks and counterchecks that will be employed in the use of money, it may be fairly hoped that the distress, if it come at all, will not be so keenly felt by His Highness' ryots.

THE PRINCE'S TRAINING.

By command of His Highness, the Judicial Secretary has deputed one of his Assistants, Mr. Zaffar Ali Khan, B.A., to wait upon the Prince out of officehours every day with some of the important files of the office with a view to enable him to become acquainted with administrative work.

PERSONAL.

Mr. A. C. Hankin, Inspector General of Police, his gone to Aurangabad to take charge of the arrangements connected with the visit of His Excellency the Viceroy there, and will accompany His Excellency to Hyderabad on the 11th. Mr. G. Casson Walker, Assistant Minister, Finance, has gone to Roza for a change for six days and is expected to return by the Ramzan holidays. A rumour was started here a few days ago that an extension of three years had been sanctioned by the Government of India for his stay here, but it is found to be premature. The application itself has not been forwarded to the India Office, and there is ample time to think about it. as his term of office here under present arrangements expires some time in April next.

ELECTRIC TRAM-CAR DRIVERS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Being attracted by a cheer we near a tram-car opposite to the Prarthana Samaj, Girgaum, yesterday, I ran up to see what was the matter. The car had struck against the wheel of a victoria belonging to a Parsee gentleman who, however, was fortunate enough to have a very narrow escape, as also the other occupants of the carriage It is not my purpose to dwell on the causes of the accident or the party to blame. Suffice it to say that the passengers as well as the spectators were one and all against the driver for his rashness.

The driver seems to have lost his temper at the blame being cast on him and with an attitude and tone as defiant as it was insulting he roared out his defence which was " Have I not been within my lines ? Did I go out of the way to strike against the carriage ?" On being asked why he did not stop in time seeing that he was warned and could very well have prevented a collision his audacious reply was "Why should I stop? I was quite in my 'kayada' being within the lines. Why should the victoria driver have come on the lines at all ?" May I recommend the Tramway Authorities to choose drivers from men of better understanding and not from those of the above type who seem to be as much apart from commonsense as the two poles. I hope this particular driver is made to understand his duties better.—Yours, etc.,

K. S. T.

THE Bishop of London, after watching the Harvard teams at football practice, pronounced it very interesting, though the manœuvres puzzled him. Dr. Ingram's approval of football amuses Harvard (says the "Tribune's" correspondent), in view of resident Eliot's opposition to the game.

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[* By telegraph from Perth, W. A.]

THE RAILWAY MENACE.

RESULT OF THE BALLOT.

Huge Strike Majority.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, NOVEMBER 3.

The ballot of the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants shows that a majority of 78,152 are in favour of a strike unless recognition is conceded.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 4.

Out of 97,031 members, 86,925 were in favour of a strike and 8,773 were opposed to it. The rest did not vote.

The result of the ballot was announced at a mass meeting of ten thousand railwaymen at Albert Hall, over which Mr. Ellis, M. P., presided.

Mr. Bell, who met with an enthusiastic reception, reviewed the grievances leading up to the demand for recognition of the Society. He declared that 100,930 men received one pound and less weekly, and that 61,500 worked a twelve-hour day.

The Executive had considered the recommendation of the Advisory Council, mentioned on Novembe, 1st, and had decided on their policy, but pending the interview with Mr. Lloyd-George it would be wiser not to refer to it.

The meeting resolved to support any action the Executive deemed necessary.

SEDITION BILL.

The "Times" on the Viceroy.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 4.

The "Times" says, "Lord Minto's speech is the clearest and most emphatic declaration of policy that the Government has yet vouchsafed, and calls for the warmest approval. The speeches of Lord Minto and Mr. Morley show complete identity of policy."

The "Times" deplores the timorousness of the Moderates.

INDIA OFFICE.

Mr. Scott Retires.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 4.

Mr. Scott, Accountant-General to the India Office, retires in a few days, having reached the age limit, after half a century of service.

He is the last India Office Official who served under the East India Company.

EGYPT.

Sir E. Gorst s Programme.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 3.

Sir E. Gorst summoned the British Official Service of Egypt to a private meeting at the Agency at Cairo for the purpose of explaining British policy in Egypt.

It is understood that he exhorted them not to rule the Egyptians, but to teach them how to rule themselves.

RUSSIAN SCARCITY.

Conference Convened.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 3.

In view of the unprecedented rise in the price of grain, the Russian Government has convened a conference, representative of various interests, to consider measures to check the rise.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

145 Tory Wins.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 4.

The final returns in the Municipal elections show that the Conservatives have gained 145 seats: the Liberals twenty-two and that the other gains stand as previously reported.

IRISH AGRARIANISM.

CORRUPT MAGISTRATES.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 4.

Cattle-driving outrages continue in Ireland, but even when constables are present, the prosecutions usually result in acquittal by a majority of the Bench.

SULTANS AT PRAYER.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 4.

On the occasion of the twenty-fifth of Ramzan, the Sultan of Zanzibar attended evening prayers with the Sultan of Turkey at the Hamidieh Mosque, and was subsequently received in Audience.

NORWAY'S NEW TREATY.

Swedish Resentment.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 4.

The Norwegian Treaty is strongly resented by Sweden as appearing to be directed against her.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 4.

The race-horse owner, Colonel Kincaid-Smith, is dead.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 4.

The death has occurred of Major-General Trevor.

The late General Trevor was born in India in October 1831, and was educated at Addiscombe (E.I.C. He joined the Bengal Engineers in 1849 and was in the second Burma war, in the Mutiny, and in the Bhutan war, and eventually became Secretary to the Government of India. He won the V. C. in Bhutan.

THE IN-COMING MAIL.

ADEN, NOVEMBER 3.

The P. and O. Company's s.s. "Egypt" with English mails of 25th ultimo, left here for Bombay at 6 p.m. to-day.

RAIDERS, believed to have been Mahsuds, robbed the dak between Murtaza and Sarwekai last Frid a

MONEY IN AMERICA.

Remarkable Stringency.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, NOVEMBER 4.

The monetary stringency in America is intense.

Even the New York Municipality is paying its employes by cheques.

The Steel Corporation has instructed its subsidiaries, with a weekly pay-roll of three million dollars, to pay only twenty per cent. in cash and the rest by cheques.

Many rich people, destrusting the banks, are hoarding their money

AUSTRALIAN HARVEST.

Prospects Improved.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 4.

Good, general rains have fallen in Victoria and South Australia and the harvest prospects have considerably improved.

ESCAPED PRISONERS.

Deterrent Sentences.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, NOVEMBER 4.

Judgment was delivered to-day in the trial of the seven prisoners who escaped from lawful custody at Kingangon by overpowering their guard and taking possession of their rifles and ammunition. They were also charged with theft of Government property. The ringleaders Po Sa, Po Ya and Po Shan pleaded guilty, while the defence of the rest was a denial on the ground that they did not escape and did not take away the guns and ammunition voluntarily but through fear of being shot by Po Sa Ba O, Po Shan and Pan On. These desperados threatened to shoot them if they did not leave the cage. The Magistrate found that the evidence was not sufficient to sustain the charges of criminal intimation. He convicted them of stealing Government property and escaping from lawful custody. He held that though the accused were first offenders and as such they were ordinarily liable to a sentence of two years for an offence under section 380, I. P. C., which sentence would not be inappropriate, yet the gravity of the case and the dangerous nature of the property stolen combined with the determination and daring displayed by some of the accused called for the infliction of deterrent punishment in excess of the ordinary. Po San the ringleader, was sentenced to five years' rigorous imprisonment on the first count and to two years on the second. Po Sa, Pan On and Po Shan the second, third and fourth accused and Po San's assistant were each sentenced to four years' rigorous on the first count and two years on the second. Nga Ba, the eight accused who helped to break open the boxes, was sentenced to three years and two years on each count respectively. Pokyaing and Nga To, the fifth and sixth accused, who were lads of eighteen and nineteen respectively, were sentenced to two years and one year apiece on both counts. All the above sentences to run concurrently.

MR. KEIR HARDIE.

Arrival in Madras.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, NOVEMBER 4.

Mr. Keir Hardie, M.P., arrived in Madras this morning from Bangalore and was accorded an enthusiastic reception. After being garlanded amidst shouts of "Bande Mataram," he was escorted to his carriage by those assembled at the station. This morning Mr. Keir Hardie drove round the city. At 1-0 he had an interview with several Indian gentlemen. This evening he proposes to visit some of the local liquor shops; later he will meet the members of the Madras Mahajana Sabha. Mr. Hardie proposes to make a stay of three days in Madras.

LEAKUT HOSSAIN.

Sentenced to Six Months.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, NOVEMBER 4.

At the Calcutta Police Court to-day Mr Kingsford delivered judgment in the case in which Leakut Hossain was charged with having knowingly disobeyed the orders of the Chief Presidency Magistrate, dated the 5th of October last, directing him to abstain from taking any part in any procession in Calcutta, by leading a procession on 25th idem between Sib Nath Das Lane and Bechu Chatterji's street, armed with lathis, causing danger of a riot, under Section 188, I. P. Code.

Mr. Kingsford found accused guilty and sentenced him to six months' rigorous imprisonment. The accused received the sentence calmly and was removed from the dock to the lock-up.

HOUSES IN LUCKNOW.

Rents Abnormally High.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, NOVEMBER 4.

The problem of securing houses accommodation in Lucknow is becoming very acute with the advent of the cold weather. Some new houses have been built of late, but these cannot possibly cope with the heavy demand. Meanwhile rents have gone up and are going up still to figures really alarming. The Municipality is opening up some land for building plots and this may afford relief, but unless something is done very soon the situation will be very serious. People of small means are finding it difficult to live.

TRAIN DERAILED.

Fatal Accident at Amgsri.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, NOVEMBER 4.

The Senior Government Inspector of Railways reports that an accident occurred on Friday on the Assam and Bengal railway at Amgsri, when an engine and four waggons of an up-goods train got derailed, two of waggons capsizing. A store peon was killed and rolling stock and permanent way were damaged.

IT has been decided to suspend the orders reducing the rates for conveyance by rail of salt in India which were to have come into effect on 1st December. They will now be introduced on 1st June next.

SIR JOHN DURSTON, who has been Engineer-in-Chief of the Navy for over eighteen years and associated with the service since 1866, has just relinquished his present position thus closing a long and successful official career, which has practically synchronised with his whole solution of the steam engine in its application to men-of-war. In appreciation of his work, Sir John Durston was knighted ten years ago, and last year he was further distinguished by special promotion to the rank of Engineer Vice-Admiral, being the first officer in the British service to hold that rank. Like Sir Nathaniel Barnaby, Sir William White, and others, Sir John Durston owes his early success in life largely to the system of technical instruction instituted by the Admiralty many years ago, to which in no small measure this country's pre-eminence in shipbuilding may be traced. Mr. Luke, the designer of the Lusitania, is also a "dockyard graduate."

ARBUTHNOTS.

First Dividend to be Declared.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, NOVEMBER 4.

Mr. F. Branson applied at the Madras High Court to-day before Mr. Justice Subramanya Ayer on behalf of Mr. A. Read, Official Assignee, that though the 4th of November had been fixed for the declaration of the first dividend of the late firm of Arbuthnot and Co. there might be a delay of six weeks in order to permit him to complete a settlement with the English Trustee.

His Lordship directed the Official Assignee to file in court the proportionate account required under the rules to-day and posted the application for the postponement of the declaration of dividend to Wednesday when he promised to direct the distribution in terms proposed by the Official Assignee.

LATER.

In making the application Mr. Branson read the Official Assignee's report which stated: "It has only just been possible to get out the total of proofs admitted for dividend by this date; it is not possible even now to insure its being on accurate list. The Court having sanctioned the arrangement entered into by me with the English Trustee it is, in my opinion, absolutely necessary, if that agreement is to be complied with that the declaration of the dividend be postponed until I have had an opportunity of communicating and exchanging lists of creditors with the English Trustee. It will be seen that in paragraph 2 of that arrangement the firms of Arbuthnot and Co., and P. Macfadyen and Co. are to be treated as a single firm. This means that in many cases there will be set-off against creditors here of their debit balances in the books of P. Macfadyen and Co. There are a considerable number of such cases of set off, but although I have many months ago applied to the Trustee to furnish me with particulars which should clear up this point, the Trustee has thought fit to wait until this arrangement was carried through. In these circumttances a number of creditors whose proofs have been admitted by me will probably be considerably reduced when debit balances against them in Macfadyen and Co.'s books are set off. I, on my part, have furnished the Trustee with particulars of debit balances here which he would set off against the credit balances in the books of P. Macfadyen and Co.

"I have reason to believe, that, in many cases, persons have put in proofs against both estates as owing to a dispute between myself and the English Trustee and for other reasons they were not sure whether they ought to put in proofs in India or in England. Until this point is cleared up again it seems to me difficult to declare a dividend upon the total of claims admitted by me alone. I am not in a position without further communication from the Trustee and assertain the exact sum that the Trustee requires remitted to him to insure a rateable distribution of a dividend. If any large amount has to be remitted to the Trustee amount of dividend, distributable here, would be the proportionately smaller. I understand the arrangement has not yet received the sanction of the English Court though there is every reason to suppose that it will do so. I am daily expecting to hear that such sanction has been given. Until the English Court has sanctioned the arrangement, the Trustee feels unable to release more than a lakh of rupees which is at present tied up owing to a dispute between us and which upon arrangement being so sanctioned the trustee would release to make available for the dividend.

His Lordship having enquired what sum at present is carrying interest. Mr. Branson replied Rs. 15,20,000.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

Major Blois Johnston, 22nd Punjabis, is appointed 2nd in command of that Regiment.

2nd Lieutenant Dyke, unattached list, is posted to the 22nd Cavalry, on appointment to the Indian Army.

Lieutenant Lockhart, 119th Infantry, is transferred to the 120th Infantry.

Captain H. M. Drake, 45th Battery, Royal Field Artillery, is posted to the 62nd battery, Royal Field Artillery, at Ferozepore.

On promotion, Major L. L. Parker, is posted to the 52nd Battery at Multan.

Lieutenant C. A. G. O'Malley, Royal Field Artillery, is posted to the 62nd Battery, vice Lieutenant Vickery, posted to the Egyptian Army.

Lieutenant MacClellan, 8th Mountain Battery, is transferred to the home establishment on promotion.

An exchange has been sanctioned between Captain Archdale, "N" Battery, Royal Horse Artillery, at Ambala, and Captain Jones, "K" Battery, Royal Horse Artillery, Trowbridge.

Captain F. K. Gibbes, 1st Battalion, Lincolnshire Regiment has been selected for the adjutancy of the 4th Battalion of that regiment.

Sanction has been given to the transfer of Brevet Colonel Headlam, from "G" to "V" Battery, Royal Horse Artillery, on the departure of the former unit from India.

An amendment to the conditions of service in India of the Royal Engineer Officers has been approved whereby the time spent on half-pay or unemployed list will only count as service for Indian pension when on officer at the date of being placed on the half-pay or unemployed list was borne on the Indian establishment and had completed 20 years' service for Indian pension.

SIR. ARTHUR LAWLEY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, NOVEMBER 4.

As at present arranged H. E. the Governor of Madras will meet H. E. the Viceroy at Bezwada on 16th instant and accompany him to Cocanada.

PASSENGERS PER S. S. "MASSILIA."

The Anchor Line s.s "Massilia" will sail from No. 2 Victoria Dock on the 5 instant with passengers as per list enclosed. Medical Inspection at 5-30 p.m., sharp.

To London—Mrs Sinnett, Mr N Bateman, Mrs Barrow Lieut. E W Oliver, Mrs Oliver, and Infant, Miss M R Greenfield, Miss S R Purnell.

To Liverpool—Mrs F Hopton Scott, Mrs Jennings and 3 children. Miss Mill Mr S Clements, Mrs Ross Withers.

To Marseilles—Miss A F Kavanagh.

H. H. THE GAEKWAR.

His Highness Sir Sayajirao, Guicwar of Baroda arrived in Bombay yesterday morning, and is putting up in the Taj Mahal Palace Hotel.

THE Government of India offices are now closing in Simla for the season, but Simla will continue to be the principal official centre for another fortnight. Indian Army Orders will be published there until 18th instant.

THE court of directors of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China have written allowing the extension of time asked for by the Committee for the Preservation of Crosby Hall. This is granted on the understanding that, unless the legal advisers of the bank are satisfied that the scheme can be carried through by the expiration of the period, it shall be abandoned, and no further application made. The letter was received by the committee with satisfaction, as affording an opportunity for the guilds to hold the necessary meetings to decide on an appeal to their livery. Recently the Court of Common Council, sitting in committee, decided to grant a sum of £1,000 towards the fund, subject to approval of the details of the scheme proposed by the Preservation Committee. The latest subscribers also include Lady Lovelace, Mr Vernon Lushington, K. C., the Bishop of Bristol, Sir H. B. Bacon, Mr. Philip Norman, and others. Lord Avebury has written consenting to join the general committee and promising a donation. The Weavers' Company have sent a donation of £100, and promised an annual subscription of £100.

NEWS LATER THAN THE MAIL.

THE PEACE CONFERENCE.

Final Sitting.

(FROM AUSTRALIAN PAPERS.)

London, October 19.

At the final sitting of the International Peace Conference at The Hague yesterday the President, M. Nelidoff (Russia) claimed that the International Prize Court would be the monument of the 1907 Conference. The delegates had done their best and their successors must develop what they had begun

The "Times" says: "The Peace Conference has been a sham. It has done little good and a considerable amount of mischief. Its chief value is as a warning against the besetting folly of the hour in pandering to a sentiment merely because it is popular, regardless of the inevitable consequences." The "Times" expresses a hope that the Government will refrain from ratifying the Prize Court or any other project until it is satisfied that England's position will not compromise her power to keep the Empire intact.

The "Spectator" declares that any statesman would be made if because of the noble sentiments expressed at The Hague, he abated his anxious care for the country. It hopes that the Government will continue to make instant and effective resistance against onslaughts.

The British Railway Trouble.

MR. LLOYD-GEORGE AS MEDIATOR.

Mr. Lloyd-George, President of the Board of Trade, has invited the Chairmen of the various railway companies to discuss privately and informally with him the whole situation in connection with the trouble threatening between the companies and the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants. He is, he declares, not acting under any powers that the Conciliation Act confers on the Board of Trade

The railway companies are arranging a strike time-table, in anticipation of a crisis.

The Great Western Railway Company has issued a circular to the clerks in its employ asking them whether or not they intend to be loyal to the Company in the event of a strike and whether or not they prepared undertake duties outside their grade.

A Seaquake.

DISTURBANCE IN THE PACIFIC.

There are indications that on Wednesday last a seaquake occurred in the Pacific Ocean between Hawaii and Southern Mexico. The intensity of the disturbances near the centre of the affected area far exceeded that of the earthquakes in California, Jamaica, Valparaiso, and Mexico.

Australian Mortgage, Land, and Finance Company.

London, October 20.

The Australian Mortgage, Land, and Finance Company, Ltd., made a profit of £164,826 during the past year. The company has declared a dividend of 5 per cent. and a bonus of 22 per cent., and has added £25,000 to the reserve fund, in addition to carrying £74,826 forward.

The Wireless Telegraph Service.

MESSAGE FROM THE KING.

His Majesty the King has sent the following Marconigram, in reply to a wireless telegraphic message from the Governor-General of Canada:—

Delighted that wireless Trans-Atlantic telegraphy should unite the bonds between Canada and the motherland so closely.

Federal Navigation Bill.

The "Economist" declares that if a bond of commercial and political unity be desired throughout the Empire, the first step to take must be the unification of the merchant shipping laws.

The same journal complains that the Australian Navigation Bill places a burden, which may become prohibitive,—on British vessels engaged in the Australian coasting trade, or even calling at successive Australian port in the course of a long inter-Imperial voyage.

The King and Canada.

RUMOUR OF ROYAL VISIT DENIED.

London, October 19.

The Ottawa correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" says it is officially stated there that Earl Grey has had no intimation of any intention on the part of the King and the Queen to visit Canada next year in connection with the Quebec foundation celebrations. It is probable, however, the correspondent adds, that His Majesty will be represented on that occasion.

Starving Stock in Victoria.

SPECIAL RAILWAY RATES.

Melbourne, October 20.

Starving stock rates are being introduced on the railways for the drought-striken districts. The rates have been fixed at the following reduced prices:—For trucks, 1 to 80 miles, 25 per cent. reduction; 81 to 150 miles, 44 per cent. reduction; 150 miles and over, 50 per cent. reduction. Over 200 trucks of starving stock were removed last week.

Australian Mail Contract.

The Prime Minister is not yet prepared to make a definite statement about the new mail contract, but there are indications that the Orient Co. will be found to be the successful tenderers. During the past week there have been several interviews between Mr. Deakin and the representatives of the Company, and these are understood to have been of a satisfactory nature.

A Check on Gambling.

In his desire to check gambling, the Postmaster-General has published a proclamation in the Government Gazette" directing that letters may not be registered or delivered to H. Oxenham, Pitt-street, Sydney, or to Jack, Wren, Melbourne. It is understood that this is but the precursor of similar proceedings which are to be instituted against firms in the various capitals alleged to be using the post-office for betting purposes.

A Committee of Inquiry.

Mr. G. B. Austin, the Melbourne inventor, who left eleven months ago for London, carrying with him models of plans of an invention which he claimed would revolutionise naval warfare, returned to Melbourne to-day. He states that the Admiralty have appointed a special board of experts to inquire into the merits of his contrivance.

MR. DAVID DAVIES, of 10, Gray's Inn-place, Gray's Inn, financier, who died September 1, left estate valued at £47,625 gross, with net personality £47,505. Amongst the bequests under his will are the following:—£500 each to the Central London Ophthalmic Hospital, Royal Free Hospital, and the London Hospital. To his secretary, Mr. Arthur W. Attwood, he bequeathed £5,000. The sum of £100 is to be distributed amongst the porters (including the dustman) of Gray's Inn, the head porter to have £20 of this. A legacy of £50 is left to Mrs. Stewart of East-street, Bedford-row, "who cleans my China cabinet."

BOMBAY SANITARY ASSOCIATION.

As already announced a meeting of mill-hands of Manockjee Petit Mills was held last Sunday at Tardeo, Rao Bahadur V. K. Vandeker presiding. As the compound of the meeting was not sufficient to hold all the hands present, many had reluctantly to leave the place before the meeting could be commenced. The audience being over 3,000 men, Dr. Turner began the proceedings. He told them that if they co-operate with him and his staff in killing rats, fleas, and plague-bacilli and in vacating their places in case any infected rats are found dead in their houses, the City will be able to enjoy better health and they will be saved from attacks of plague. This English speech was more appreciated when explained in Marathi by Mr. N.G. Powar with the help of pictures of rats, fleas, plague-bacilli in rat blood, plague-bacilli in fleas, plague patients, &c. in magic lantern and with the assurance that inoculation is also a good remedy, but it is left entirely to their wishes and no compulsion of any kind is used. Rao Bahadur Vandeker advised the audience to carry out the preventive measures, so kindly explained to them by Dr. Turner for saving their own lives and their lives of their dear persons, and giving his own experience about inoculation and treatment of patients in hospitals, assured them that he got himself inoculated more than once and he had no fear from plague though he had to work during the last 10 years as a Secretary of the Maratha Hospital Committee and to attend personally to the comforts of unfortunate patients admitted in the Hospital. The proceedings being very impressive one of the mill-hands, Mr. Kadam stood up and said that they had very wrong notions about plague and plague measures, but they were very sincerely thankful to Dr. Turner for removing these false notions and that they are ready to co-operate with him in carrying out measures so nicely explained to them by Mr. Powar and Rao Bahadur Vandeker,

Messrs. Cook and Pandit of the Manockjee Petit Mills having made nice arrangements for the meeting and garlanded the President, Dr. Turner and Mr. Powar, the meeting was closed.

BANDORA GRIEVANCES.

TO THE EDDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—We are instructed by our client Mr. Framji M. Jasawalla to write to you as follows:—

That our client has been Sanitary Inspector and the Inspector of Markets of the Bandra Municipality for the last 7 years during which time he has given ample satisfaction to the Municipal Authorities by faithful and capable discharge of the work intrusted to him.

That in your issue of the 24th ultimo, there is printed an anonymous letter purporting to be addressed to you and headed "Bandora Grievances" and signed "Chapel Road Eagle." In that letter there are various imputations and allegations made against our client which are totally false and made maliciously with the object of injuring our client's reputation and lowering his character in respect of his calling and having him removed from the post which he now holds. In that letter your correspondent has stated that our client is an inefficient Inspector of Markets and that he possesses no sanitary qualifications and further that Mr. Waterfield, the Municipal President, had pronounced that "Inspector Framji (our client) was not a capable man." This statement is a deliberate falsehood and the letter is written with the sole object of injuring our client's reputation and disgracing him in the eyes of the public.

Further in your issue of the 30th ultimo there is printed another anonymous letter addressed to you and also headed "Bandora Grievances" and signed "Solomon Eagle." In that letter again there are various imputations against our client which too are false and libellous and made maliciously with the similar object of injuring our client's reputation and lowering his character. In that letter your correspondent, among other imputations, states that "Bandra cannot boast of an efficient Inspector of Markets." This letter too is written with the sole object of injuring our client's reputation and disgracing him in the eyes of the public.

By reason of the grossly false and libellous reputations contained in the said two letters printed by you our client has sustained great pain of mind and has also suffered, and is most likely to suffer here after, in his calling and occupation.

We are therefore instructed by our client to call upon you to furnish us with the name and address of your correspondent who signs himself "Chapel Road Eagle," as well as of your correspondent who signs himself "Solomon Eagle," as your client proposes to adopt legal proceedings against them and also to withdraw the imputations and allegations printed in your paper against our client on the said two occasions and to render an unconditional apology to him and to give such withdrawal and apology as wide a publication in your paper as has been given to the said two letters and also to publish such apology in such other papers as our client may name.

Please note that unless we hear from you on or before Thursday next the 7th inst. that you are ready and willing to comply with the above requisitions our client will take such proceedings against you as he may be advised at your risk as to costs.—Yours, etc.,

D. J. IRANI,
for Messrs Mulla and Mulla,
Attorneys-at-Law.

MEDAL FOR HEROISM IN MINES

In opening the new Queen Alexandra Dock at Cardiff in July last, the King remarked:

I have often read, with a feeling of admiration and pride, how on occasions when numbers of miners are cut off by fallen debris or other obstructions from the outer world, their fellow-workers, undeterred by their perfect knowledge of the danger of the attempt, eagerly volunteer to assist in the work of rescue.

The whole country applauds, and is grateful for the courage and devotion of such heroes, but I have for some time felt that insufficient means exist of giving worthy and lasting public recognition of these brave deeds. I propose very shortly to establish a decoration bearing my own name, to be awarded to the courageous men, who, in the mines and quarries of this country, voluntarily endanger their lives in order to save the lives of others.

The fulfilment of the King's promise was announced in the "London Gazette" to-night. It is there stated that the King has been pleased to issue a warranty under his Majesty's Royal Sign-manuel, creating a new medal, to be awarded in recognition of heroic acts performed by miners and quarrymen and others, who endanger their own lives in saving, or endeavouring to save, the lives of others from peril in mines or quarries within the Empire.

The medal will be of two classes, which will be designated and styled, the "Edward medal of the First Class," and the "Edward medal of the Second Class." The first medal will consist of a circular medal of silver, with his Majesty's effigy on the obverse, and on the reverse a design representing the rescue of a miner, with the inscription of "For Courage." The second medal will consist of a circular medal of bronze, of similar design.

The new medals will be awarded only on the recommendation of the Home Secretary, and will be forfeitable should any recipient be guilty of crime or disgraceful conduct.

THE death is announced, at East Cowes, of Captain John B. Reading, superintendent under the Trinity Board of the South-Eastern district, extending from Portland to Ramsgate. King Alfonso, after his last visit, forwarded him the Order of Isabella de Catolica.

SIR THOMAS ESMONDE, M.P., the well-known "Senn Feiners," suffered his first defeat the other day when the Irish County Councils' General Council, at its meeting in Dublin, by a large majority refused to re-elect him chairman, a position he has occupied since the formation of this body after the passing of the Local Government Act. One of the speakers declared that the opposition to Sir Thomas was raised simply for the purpose of showing that the council did not approve of certain opinions expressed by him during the past year. Mr. Sheehy (Skibbereen) said that if Sir Thomas Esmonde continued to be a faithful, pledgebound member of the Irish party, he would have the unanimous support of the council. After a lengthened discussion a vote was taken, and Mr. P. J. O'Neil, of Dublin, was elected to the chairmanship by 31 votes to 11.

THE WORLD OF SPORT.

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

The Football Split.

THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

(FROM OUR SPORTING CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, OCTOBER 18.

ATHLETICS.

According to rumour, both Oxford and Cambridge University athletes will be strongly represented at the Olympic Games. This leads one to wonder how the selections are to be made. In most of the events each nation will only be allowed to have twelve representatives—and quite enough too. Great Britain and Ireland counts as one nation, but the writer has not yet heard the proportion of representatives which will be allowed the Colonies. Trial games, for the purpose of making the selections, would appear to be the most satisfactory manner of deciding who should have the honour of upholding the supremacy of our Empire. These trials would be particularly useful in discovering talent for those pastimes which are new to the Empire's athletes. Throwing the Discus and Javelin come under this head and there is no reason why we should not develop good men at these, if efforts are made to that end. The Olympic Games are world renowned and as they are to be held in London next year, it will be no use offering further excuses if the Empire's Champions fail to win the greatest number of victories. The Colonial Athletic Associations will no doubt rally round the home authorities in striving to win premier honours. Canada has already scored in the chief event of all, the Marathon Race, and Flack of Australia won the 800 and 1,500 metres races at Athens in 1896. Australia has also sent her swimming champions to the Olympic Games and will no doubt do so again. We have the records of past festivals, so it is quite easy to figure out the sort of performance necessary to stand a winning chance. The home athletes will be all right in the track events, but where the Colonial cracks might do great work, is in the pole vault, standing high and standing long jump, hop step and jump, rope climbing, Discus throwing, Javelin throwing and hurdling.

CYCLING.

It is quite the usual thing for the best Continental amateurs to go into the professional ranks at some time, so that the announcement that Jean Devoissoux is about to do so creates no surprise. Though the French crack is still in his teens, he holds the world's amateur short distance championship and, besides this, he rode very well indeed in the English Championships at Exeter, though the track there was strange to him. Devoissoux is a fine built athlete and a natural rider, so that his chance of taking a high place among the professional stars looks to be good.

The frequent accidents in paced races on the Continent do not appear to lead to any falling off in the popularity of these events. The dangerous nature of the game may well be imagined from the fact that five competitors were allowed to take part in a 50 miles paced race at the Velodrome d' Hiver last Sunday. Now this track (indoors) is but five laps to the mile, and the danger of five high-powered motor-cycles rushing round at nearly 50 miles an hour is very great. With laps being covered in 15secs, there is little chance of avoiding another pacer or rider should an accident occur, and it really is time the cycling authorities came to some understanding about this dangerous game. In the race under notice A. E. Wills made a good showing, in spite of difficulties in the shape of his chain coming off and a puncture, but which, of course, put him out of the running. Simiar was also unfortunate when leading from Darragon and the latter was somewhat lucky to win.

BOXING.

It is just possible that in John Roche of Wexford, Ireland possesses the best boxer in the British Isles. The manner he disposed of Charlie Wilson in their contest at Dublin has set the critics talking, and further developments are awaited with interest. The merit of his victory will be better understood, if we pause to consider Wilson's record. The London man can claim a win over Gunner Moir, though it would hardly be right to think the present champion was as good then as now. More recently Wilson gained a host of admirers by the manner he disposed of Jim Casey in Dublin, with the result that he was the favourite when he and Roche stepped into the arena. The Londoner was very confident and apparently greatly astonished at the improvement in Roche, the latter having the best of matters from the start. After the fourth round there was only one in it, though Wilson proved himself a game "un" and hung on for another four rounds, when he was knocked out. Naturally the Irish sports are delighted at the result and Roche can find plenty of backing for a match against Gunner Moir for the heavy weight championship of England. The latter is matched to meet Tommy Burns at the National Sporting Club, but after the decision of this bout, Moir says he will be quite prepared to meet Roche. It will thus be seen that heavy weights are likely to claim considerable attention this season. Before finishing with the noble art, a word or two must be given Monday's show at the National Sporting Club. The best bout of the evening was that between Arthur Ellis of South Africa and Young Lilly of London, in which the visitor appeared to have a shade the best of matters, though the referee's decision was a draw. Among the onlookers were J. W. H. T. Douglas and R. O. Schwarz, just returned from the United States and Canada, where they have been touring with the M. C. C. cricket team.

BILLIARDS.

That John Roberts is still a big factor in the world of billiards he gave further proof on the last day of his match against Fred Weiss at Manchester. The game was 7,000 up, on the new arcoval table and Weiss looked all over a winner when he commenced the final session with a lead of 430. The veteran, however, is famous for big efforts when matters look bad and he rose to the occasion, gradually closing the gap and finally causing the scores to be called 6,844, 6,843 in his favour. The Australian contested the match to the very end in his usual dogged manner, but was finally beaten by 13 points. The feature of the match was a splendid break of 188 by Roberts on the last evening which was the best of the week. Roberts and Weiss are still exploiting the new table and, with two such artists playing on it, there is very chance of its merits being fully demonstrated.

Reece of Oldham has been gradually adding to his reputation in the last few seasons and only Mr. Inman appears to be his stumbling block. With the Twickenham man no longer in England to "worry him," Reece is appearing to big advantage and his break of 398 on the last day of his match with Mack shows him to be at the top of his game. It is also pleasing to note that the voyage to South Africa appears to have had a beneficial effect on W. Mitchell for the veteran Sheffielder made a break of over 400 soon after arriving in Cape Town.

THE FOOTBALL SPLIT.

The public will soon be sick of the football split, new phases of which come about daily. Since writing last week's notes the University authorities have met and decided to throw in their lot with the Amateur Football Association. The Cambridge men showed the way and Oxford followed the lead, though the feeling was pretty strong that there was no occasion for a new association. Naturally the position of the A. F. A. has been considerably strengthened through the Varsities joining; though this step will certainly not make matters quite the same for Light and Dark Blue cracks. It really does seem a pity that there should be a split, because less than 5 per cent of the amateurs do not relish being under the jurisdiction of an association which governs and fosters professionalism. The worst of it is that many who do not see occasion for a split are drawn into the quarrel, and through which perhaps will lose opportunities of gaining an international cap.

ENGLISH LEAGUE AND IRISH LEAGUE.

Sensations followed each other in rapid order during the first few minutes of the English League and Irish League match at Sunderland. The visitors were two up before the game was two minutes old, one goal coming as the result of a free for a foul inside the penalty area. Before the third minute had passed England scored, and another goal was put on by the home players five minutes later. Thus four goals were registered in eight minutes and before half time England scored two more and in the end won by 6 goals to 3. The match was the fourteenth between the two Leagues and of which the Englishmen have won 13 and drawn one.

A SPLENDID GATE.

The attendance at the final of the Glasgow Cup between Celtic and Glasgow Rangers amounted to 70,000, while the amount taken at the gates and stands was £1,914. This is the highest on record for a match, at which the admission is the humble sixpence, and shows how the Glasgow public support "soccer." It was a capital game with honours easy, each scoring two goals. The match was played at Hampden Park, the home of Queen's Park, and this is where the replay will take place tomorrow. In this Celtic will be without Hamilton, who has been suspended for two months for abusing the referee in a recent match. Quinn is also in trouble and has to appear in person to explain a certain unfair charge. Writing about players, R. S. McColl has been reinstated as an amateur and will be seen in the ranks of Queen's Park again. By what manner of reasoning the Scottish Association can declare a man, who openly embraced professionalism, an amateur the writer cannot understand. If a player loses his status through an error, it is a different manner, but such legislation as that under notice is likely to bring the governing body into disrepute.

The wonderful performance of Manchester United in beating Newcastle United by 6 goals to one, on Saturday, is likely to stand out as the best thing of the season. It must be remembered that the beaten side hold the League Championship and had the advantage of playing at home, which makes the heavy defeat all the harder to bear. Another big victory on Saturday was that of Dundee over Clyde, 6 goals to 1, in a Scottish League match.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

The New Zealand footballers continue to gain laurels under the Northern Union Rules, and Huddersfield and Widness have been their latest victims. The Yorkshiremen led the visitors at half time but could not stay like the All Blacks. It was much the same at Widness, for though the visitors only held an advantage of 3 points on crossing over, they finally won easily. The New Zealanders speak highly of the ability of the Northern Union players and the play of the forwards, in particular, impresses the tourists.

THE TURF.

The Duke of York Stakes might well have been termed the Imperial Stakes this year, for Colonial owners and Colonial horses were very much to the fore. How Tirara simply cantered off with the spoils is now almost ancient history, with so many important events following. Mr. Spencer Gollan's filly is by Bill of Portland-Tirailleric and had never shown form to warrant anyone fancying her chances for the race. She took it into her head to run generously, however, and the only people to profit were the bookmakers. Mr. Abe Bailey's All Black was second, though Dinneford was really second best, Maher pulling up his mount when he recognised he could not catch the leader. Bullock rode the winner, and this talented jockey will be riding in Germany next season. Another, who will be missing from our courses in 1908, is B. Lynhan who has accepted a good retainer to ride for M. Caillault. This owner is bent on winning more laurels in England, so that the policy of securing an English jockey is a wise one. Touching on jockeys, W. Lane and J. H. Martin were among the visitors to Kempton Park. Lane looks all the better for his long trip abroad and Martin has just returned from an engagement in Austria-Hungary.

GALVANI ALL RIGHT.

The Champion Stakes at Newmarket showed Galvani to be right at the top of the tree and quite a few critics fancy he is the best of the tree-year-olds. Perhaps he is just now, but even granting that Major Loder's crack was not at his best for the Derby, it is also a fact that Wool Winder, Orby and Slieve Gallion have gone off since. The fact of the matter is that we do not know which of the four named deserves to be classed first, and we can only hope that they will all meet fit and well as four-year-olds. That Galvani accomplished a splendid performance in beating Bridge of Canny Malua and Sancy, when receiving 7lbs. for the year, is self evident. It was indeed a meeting of champions, as Keystone II and Rockhouse swelled the field to six. It may be added that Galvani ran the 1½ miles in 2mins. 41⅘secs., a fine performance for a 3 year old under a burden of 119lbs.

THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

What might have been is poor consolation, yet it is only natural to let one's mind wander. The Page, Radium, Spate and Royal Dream were the animals the writer named as looking well in when the weights appeared. The Page won the Newbury Autumn Cup from Demure and as the latter scored in the Cesarewitch, it is not out of place to suppose the former might have won at Newmarket, had the Cesarewitch been the mission. Radium finished fourth and The White Knight third in the Doncaster Cup (Velocity won) and as the "Knight" got within three-quarters of a length of Demure on Wednesday, it is probable Radium would have done better still (if fit and well to run) seeing he would have met The White Knight on 8lbs better terms. The performance of the White Knight in carrying 9st 12lbs into second place in the Cesarewitch is a record, the next best performance being in 1887, when Bendigo ran second to Humewood with 9st 7lbs up. Radium was pulled out for the Lowther Stakes yesterday and beat three rivals, including Larig (receiving 17lbs) which finished second, further proof that Mr L. de Rothschild's colt must have gone close for the Cesarewitch had all gone well with him.

THE MIDDL

SPORTING NEWS.

COMING MOTOR TRIALS.

Preparatory Arrangements.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MAHABLESWAR, NOVEMBER 4.

The Motor Union Trials Committee with Mr. Dunn and a party of twenty including the Honorary Secretary, who left Bombay on Saturday, completed the first part of the run this evening and will halt here for a day to make arrangements for the coming trials about Christmas, in consultation with Sir Lawrence Jenkins and the Superintendent of these Olympian heights.

The run from Bombay to Poona at first disclosed roads from the Sion Causeway to Thana to be in an exceedingly bad condition for motor traffic and in serious need of attention from the Department of Public Works, which, I believe, has the matter under attention. Congratulations are due to Engineers in the district from Panwell to Campoli for the remarkable transformation of this one time notoriously wretched section of road to Poona which was the cause of many punctures and several broken axles and handle bars.

At Poona the party stayed at the Connaught Hote' where dinner under the presidency of Mr. Dunn was a great function, a Band being in attendance. Control were fixed at Panwell and Khandalla and after a good night's rest, the journey was resumed on Sunday to Kholapore via Satara where the first car arrived at 4-30 p.m. and the last car to arrive was the 35 h.p. Richard Brasier which suffered from a multiplicity of tyre troubles and arrived at nearly 11 p. m. with tyres stuffed with straw. Some of the party were guests at the Residency, while others were accommodated in camp and in the dak Bungalow here. Colone Ferris was very obliging and arrangements have been perfected for a camp at Kolhapur at Christmas for the trials. The party left Kholapur this morning at 10 a. m. and are all expected in Mahableshwar to night. So far only the 14-16 H. P. Gladiator, driven by Mr. W. T. Lord and carrying Messrs. Marshal and Ellis, has arrived. This car is doing a wonderfull good run for its horse-power negotiating the ghat well and running smoothly on the level. It has been the first in at all destinations up to this and is a splendid car of its type and, what is more, is being driven with great skill.

KARACHI RACES.

Third Day.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

KARACHI, NOVEMBER 4.

The Race Course to-day was well attended, and in nearly every case the favourites went down. Mr. Elgee's fine riding raised the admiration of all. Details :—

SCINDE HANDICAP.

Mr. Jelbart's Kasmir 10st. 7lbs.....Mr. Elgee 1
Mr. Graham's Hero 8st. 10lbs.....Mr. Boase 2
Capt. Toogood's Broome .....Owner 3

Also ran.—Col. O'Donnell's and Capt. Toogood's Liberal.

Time.—1min. 29secs.

Betting.—2 to 1 on Broome, 2 to 1 against Kashmir.

BIARI HANDICAP.

Mr. Elgee's Carmela 9st. 2lbs.....Mr. Boase 1
Capt. Toogood's Maranta 11st. 10lbs.....Owner 2
Capt. Hislop's Jenny Lind 8st 9lbs...Juman Shah 3

Also ran.—Achievement 10st. 7lbs., Cumrew 8st 8lbs., Silver II 8st. 3lbs.

Time.—1min. 20 3-5secs.

Betting.—5 to 1 Carmels, 2 to 1 on Maranta.

NEWMARKET HANDICAP.

Mr. Boase's Dawn 11st. 2lbs.....1
Mr. Woodward's P. D. Q. 12st.....Mr. Elgee 2
Mr. R. D. S. Bill's Squire 8st .....Abdulla 3

Also ran.—King Ton 1st. 7lbs., Shooting Star 6st. (Mr. Stewart.)

Betting :—2 to 1 on P. D. Q., 3 to 1 Dawn.

HUB HANDICAP.

Capt. Greenway's Plebeian 9st. 7lbs.... Mr. Elgee 1
Capt. Ready's Alexis 11st. 5lbs..... 2
Capt. Toogood's Broome 11st. 11lb....Capt. Marriott 3

Also Ran.—Muscana 8st. 11lb.

Betting :—5 to 1 Plebeian, 2 to 1 on Alexis.

FAREWELL HANDICAP.

Mr. Elgee's Eminent 11st. 7lbs. ..... Owner 1
Col. O'Donnell's Necklace 9st. 13lbs..... Owner 2
Capt. Prideaux's Careless 11st. 7lbs .....Holland 3

Also ran.—Cumrew 10st. 3lbs., Silver II 9st. 13lbs, Jenny Lind 9st. 7lbs.

Betting :—6 to 4 Eminent, Evens Necklace.

SIXTH RACE.

Col. O'Donnell's and Capt. Toogood's Liberal 11st. 4lbs..... Capt. Toogood 1
Col. O'Donnell's Muscana 9st. 6lbs. ..... Owner 2
Mr. Morgan's Greyling 10st. 2lbs. ..... Mr. Boase 3

Also ran.—Snowflake 9st.

Betting :—6 to 4 on Liberal, 3 to 1 Greyling.

AGAKHAN HOCKEY.

(FROM OUR CORRESP

POONA, NOVEMBER 4.

Aga Khan hockey Tournament opened to-day on the Gymkhana ground, two games being played simultaneously. The Connaught Rangers beat the King's Royal Rifles from Jubbulpure by 3 goals to 1, and the Royal Fusiliers from Secunderabad defeated the R. G. A. from Colaba by 4 goals to love.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

The Municipal Office returns for the twenty four hours ending at 6 a. m., yesterday, give the following results :—

Wards.	Plague. Attacks.	Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade.....	0	1	11
B Mandvi, Cumbla, Umerkhadi and Dongri	1	1	18
C Market, Dhobi Talao Panaswadi, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada	0	0	10
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar and Mahalaxmi	0	0	4
E Mazagon, Tarwadi, 2nd Nagpada, Kamathipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	0	0	17
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	0	0	11
G Vakim and Worli	0	0	9
Wata Division	0	0	1
Non-Resident and Unknown ...	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	0	5
Total	1	2	82
Total plague deaths to date ...	141,152		
Same date last year	5	2	116

CHOLERA.

Attack.	Deaths.
1	1

THE RAT CAMPAIGN.

The following table shows the results of the rat campaign :—

NOVEMBER, 2nd 1907.

Ward.	Alive.	Dead.	Found Infected.
A	70	46	3
B	169	188	27
C	41	105	3
D	33	0	0
E	123	87	0
F & G	75	5	0
Total to date	511	431	33
Total rats killed			947

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OUR SERIAL STORY.

SCARLET TOWN,

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CHAPTER XVIII.

"How did she die ?" Ruth put the question with bated breath. The dusk was coming on, and lights were flickering up in the neighbouring windows, but she did not think to rise and light the lamp. "You loved her very dearly," she murmured.

"She was all the world to me," Hal Cope was leaning forward, his elbows upon his knees, his face buried in its hands ; his shoulders quivered and his voice was indistinct. "She was done to death, murdered as much as if a knife had been actually thrust into her body."

"By John Grierson ?" murmured Ruth.

"Not by him, so much as by the other. It was Colonel Lovatt who killed my wife."

Ruth gasped. It was well for her that it was growing dark in the little sitting room, and that Hal Cope's thoughts were so utterly centred upon himself. "Tell me how it happened," she said, wondering that she had sufficient control over her voice to put the question.

"John Grierson accused her of stealing. He manufactured evidence against her, and went to Colonel Lovatt with his report. But at the same time someone else, who knew that my wife was innocent, went to Colonel Lovatt, too, and he was able to turn Grierson's evidence against himself. But Colonel Lovatt would hear nothing against his overseer, not a word. My wife was threatened with arrest as a common thief, and all the while, mark you, Ruth, Colonel Lovatt knew that she was innocent, and that she was only to be sacrificed because she had opposed herself to the passion of a scoundrel.

"It was winter and the snow was deep upon the ground. My wife was ill ; she had always suffered from weakness of the chest. And one night she made her way from the Mile End Road to Colonel Lovatt's house in Bryanston Square to beg him to have pity upon her, to tell him that she was innocent, and to pray that she might not be put into prison as Grierson threatened she should. It was probably only a threat of Grierson's, for he wouldn't have dared to do it, really, but my wife believed it, and terror nearly drove her mad.

"She saw Colonel Lovatt at his house in Bryanston Square, and he was more brutal to her—could you believe it possible of an English gentleman ?—even than John Grierson himself. He is a man who looks upon us as scum, as dust under his feet. He was angry at being disturbed, and he vented his rage upon her." Suddenly the speaker became conscious that his companion's breath was coming in quick gasps ; his own hands fell from his face, which they had partly covered, and he started at her in surprise. In the gathering twilight he was aware of a terror-striken face, of horrified eyes and of hands clasped tightly, despairingly together.

"Why, Miss Fenton," he cried, "how you are taking my story to heart ! Do you feel everyone's sorrows as much as this ?"

With an effort she pulled herself together, and tried to smile. "I am so sorry for you," she said, "but I didn't know that I showed my feelings so much. Pray forgive me," she faltered, "and go on."

The man's thoughts were once more centred upon himself, and the extraordinary interest taken in his story by Ruth was quickly forgotten; his head sank back upon his hands as he continued: "It was the ting of cruel words that killed my wife, the stigma of unjust suspicion; for I do not mean to infer that, any actual blow was struck. But, yes—" and here his voice deepened with the intensity of his hatred, "there was actual physical offence, for by Colonel Lovatt's orders my unhappy wife was thrown out of the house. Yes, even though she fainted she was picked up unconcious, thrust out on the road and the door slammed upon her. It was a heart attack, Ruth, the sort of attack to which she had long been subject ; a little care, a little kindness and she would quickly have recovered. But instead of this she was thrown out, to stagger and fall helpless and fainting upon the pavement at the foot of the steps. And she lay there in the snow and in the rain, while Colonel Lovatt returned to his guests and to his wine.

"They found her and picked her up at last—some one who happened to pass by—someone who rang the bell at that house in Bryanston Square, and asked for help for a woman who was ill. No help was given. 'Let her be taken to the hospital,' that was all the comfort that Colonel Lovatt could give. She was carried to the hospital, but she was dead before she reached it."

The man ceased speaking, but he did not stir from the position he had taken up. He stared vacantly through his parted fingers at the floor.

And Ruth was silent too, though she was conscious of a muffled beating sound within the room and close at hand. It was some moments before she realised that it was the throbbing of her heart.

It was her own father who had done this thing, who had thrust a sick woman from his door and allowed her to die on the pavement in the snow and sleet of a winter's night.

He had known her innocent, too, and yet he had had no mercy. Of course, it was no murder in the strict sense of the word, yet was it not, as the unhappy woman's husband made out, was it not a bad ? According to all Ruth's ideas of morality the sin was as great.

But was it true? Knowing her father's disposition as she did, she trembled to think that it might be true. And then, stealing a glance at Hal Cope's face she felt that she was not lying, that he had spoken what he knew to be a fact.

"There, Miss Fenton." Suddenly he sat up erect in his chair, and he thrust out his arms as though throwing off an oppressive burden his from shoulders. "I have taken myself back into those days so that you should know everything, and now tell me, tell me—" he sprang to his feet and strode towards her—"do you wonder that I have come back with vengeance in my heart? From the day that the news was brought to me of my wife's death, from the moment that I know the manner of it, I vowed that I would be avenged. I have drawn the lust of vengeance into my blood with the air I've breathed ; I have fed upon it, and it has been my companion by day and by night." He stood beside her, looming large and, as she saw him now, threatening, through the dusk of the room. She shrank back in her chair, and yet even now it was the horror of what she had heard, the realisation of her father's cruelty, that oppressed her, rather than any actual fear of the man.

"I said that I should tell you everything.—everything," he went on hoarsely, "and I'm going to do so, even though you hate and loathe me, as I some times hate and loathe myself." He lowered his voice, speaking with a peculiar intensity. "I came back to England a month or so ago with one desire in my heart—the wish to kill. Ah, yes, you shrink from me, you are horrified, you think me as bad as those upon whom I wish to be avenged. But it's true, and I'm here to speak the truth. I came to England to ruin and to kill. Not to strike quickly, mark you, and have done with it, but to hurt, to maim, to torture.'

"Don't—don't," Ruth raised her hands to her ears. She knew now that the terrible thought which had occurred to her and which she had put away as too ghastly to believe, was true, and that it was this man who had sought to strike her father through her, who had sought the death of the innocent in his mad desire to mete out vengeance upon the guilty.

And that the confession should be made to her—to her ! If Hal Cope only knew to whom he was speaking ! His hands, as he gesticulated in his excitement, were but little removed from her throat. One word from her and those fingers might close upon her neck ; they were the fingers of a murderer, of a man who sought and desired her blood.

Just as desire may come to one standing on the edge of a precipice to throw oneself over, so a peculiar longing came upon her to cry out that she was Ruth Lovatt, daughter of the man whom he had guilty for his wife's death. And she had to bite her lip to keep back the words that rose in her throat. She was silent, speaking no words of blame, as she had evidently imagined she would, but she was silent because she feared to speak.

"You heard what that fellow, Grierson, accused me of this afternoon ?" Hal Cope went on. "Well, it's true enough what he says. I have been doing my best to sow discontent among the hands and to work damage in the mills, and there's more that I can do yet in that way, much more. Colonel Lovatt's affairs are not as solid as he believes. I know it—I know it. I've not been investigating things for myself all this time without result. And as for John Grierson," Hal Cope extended his hands, palms upwards, and then clenched the fingers into them, "I hold him thus, and I can crush him. In a little while I shall do so, and it shall be he who will crave to me for mercy. I wouldn't kill him," the man laughed wildly, and there was someting of madness in his eyes, "for there is suffering worse than death. He would have sent my wife to prison, and it is to prison that he shall go. And as for Colonel Lovatt," Hal Cope drew back a pace or two, as though, even in his awakend frenzy, hesitating to speak; then breathing heavily and deeply he went on, "and as for Colonel Lovatt, I have vowed to myself that I will strike him through that which he holds dearest in all the world." He laughed—it was a laugh terrible to hear. "You don't know what that is, Miss Fenton, and it is my secret still; but I have sworn the vow and it shall be fulfilled."

Ruth knew too well what that vow had been. The whole mystery of Joey's attack upon her was clear. Hal Cope had vowed to strike his enemy through that which was nearest and dearest to him, and this was none other than herself. She stiffened in her chair, appalled and horrified. There was nothing more to be learnt now ; she knew the truth in the full intensity of its horror.

A sense of nausea came upon her; she was sick and faint, and yet she was not afraid. She felt by some curious instinct that this creature who mouthed his threats before her was not the real Hal Cope but an evil think that could be crushed and exterminated by the will of the true man; it was to that which she must appeal. Hal Cope must be made to conquer himself through himself. And it God gave her strength, it was she who must show the way.

By a great effort she overcame the faintness that had kept her bound to her chair. She rose to her feet and going to the table, walking as steadily as she could, applied a match to the little lamp He would see her pale face, perhaps recognise her trepidation, but there was nothing for it, but to act calmly and normally. The situation was too tremendous for anything else; if she had not the strength to do this she would give way.

"You are angry with me," he said, penitently. Her movement and the everyday process of lighting the lamp seemed to have restored him, too, to some measure of calm.

She kept her face averted, not daring to look at him. "No," she said, "I am not angry, but I don't think it is you yourself who have been speaking to me, Mr. Cope. She turned up the wick of the lamp as she spoke and then she glanced at the clock upon the mantelpiece. "Oh," she cried affecting a lightness of tone. "We have been talking much longer than I thought. How shall we face Mary, who must be waiting impatiently for us at the club?" She wondered vaguely how they would reach the club, and how she could ever carry out her part of the entertainment.

"You will let me walk with you there," he said, in spite of all I have told you, you won't be frightened of me?

She saw his face in the light now. It was like that of a man who has been subjected to some great physical torture and who for a little while is freed from pain.

"No," she said I am not frightened of you and we will walk to the club together. You have told me all your story, and you have told me what is in your heart. For the sorrows that have come into your life you have the deepest sympathy that a woman can offer, and for the rest—

She hesitated.

"Yes, for the rest ?" he said, sharply.

She tried to laugh, as though she were taking the matter lightly. "I don't believe you mean all you said," she faltered. "If you want me to be your friend, Mr. Cope you must put all such ideas out of your head. Vengeance is not for us, but for God."

"Will you be my friend ?" he asked eagerly.

"Which would you have ?" She was busy with her hat, obliged to occupy her fingers with some trivial work, lest the man should notice how deeply moved she was, and that her lightness of speech was but pretence—"which would you have," she repeated, "my friendship or your vengeance ?"

He drew closer to her where she stood before the little mirror, still occupied with the pins of her hat. He bent forward—she could feel his hot breath on her cheek. "I would give up everything," he muttered, "I would be good man if I thought—"

"What ?" She started and drew away from him.

"If I thought"—she knew that he was trembling now, timid again even as he had been that afternoon—"I thought that one day, Ruth, you might be more than a friend to me."

(To be continued.)

SIGNOR TOSELLI has entered into a contract with an American impresario to start on a professional tour through the United States and Europe, says the "Tribune's" correspondent. No less a sum than £60,000 is said to have been agreed upon as the fee for this tour.

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GROWTH OF CHRISTIANITY.

THE Rev. N. Macnicol, of the U. F. C. Poona, writes in the "Bombay Guardian" :—Every student of Church history is aware that many of the problems that are being faced to-day in India are by no means as new as many imagine them to be, and were encountered, and to some extent solved, many centuries ago. It cannot be maintained indeed, that they were always rightly solved, or that every precedent of the early centuries is to be accepted as final and to be followed blindly. But we can be warned by the errors of those who lived in the early centuries, which were often grievous, as well as guided by their wisdom, while at the same time we can have our faith strengthened by the spectacle of their faith and of the victory that crowned it in the end.

There are, of course, very great differences which confront us at the outset between the task of the Christian Church in India to-day and the task which the Church faced within the Roman Empire in the early centuries. Geographically the situation is widely different in the two cases, and yet one may maintain that there are races as diverse within the bounds of the Indian peninsula as were Phrygians and Egyptians, Greeks and Carthaginians, Britons and Jews. Nor could we find in the wide limits within which Paul and his successors carried their evangel a greater diversity of worships than is to be found in India to-day. In one respect, indeed, a more exact acquaintance with the religious situation in those early centuries brings the parallel closer than we had perhaps supposed. It was not the case there, any more than it is the case here, that Christianity prevailed because the old gods were dead and their power broken and men's hearts hungry to welcome more satisfying food. Corrupt as the heathenism of those days had became, religion was still a subject of intense interest and of continual inquiry among the people, and speculation and research turned unfailingly to every direction save the true one. And at the same time the old cults, if already dead as quickening influences, yet lived as powerful social forces. As with Hindiism, so with the Roman religion, it penetrated the whole fabric of society, controlling the daily life and habits of the people. For that reason in Rome, just as in India, to forsake the ancient gods was to become an outcast from society. In consequence Marcus Aurelius thought, just as many enlightened Indians who aspire to be political leaders in India to-day think, that patriotism requires a full conformity to a heathen practice, and a public performance of idolatrous rites, although a corresponding belief no longer survives. Then, too, as in the modern parallel, intellectual dishonesty in these matters was often explained away and justified by the aid of philosophy. Gibbon has described one aspect of the religious life of ancient Rome that is not without its parallel in India in an epigram when he says that the Emperor was at once

A PRIEST, AN ATHIEST, AND A GOD.

Can we not find a combination of contradictions scarcely strange in the well-known Indian prince of whom Mark Twain tells us in his "More Tramps Abroad," who, while recognised as a divine incarnation, was intimately acquainted with the careers of Tom Sawyer and Huck Finn? The easy imputation of dishonesty was not then sufficient to explain how Plutarch could justify the worship of Isis any more than it is now to explain how an Oxford or a Cambridge graduate can present an offering before the shrine of Ganpati. In both cases the aid of philosophy is called in to silence scruples. The allegorical interpretation of gross practices and of degrading legend was applied to the worship of Jupiter and Saturn two thousand years before the modern Hindu felt the need of having recourse to the same method of defending Krishna. In one respect the pegans of the early centuries seem to have been less fortunate than the modern Hindus. We do not read of any parallel to the irruption into India of such an apologist and interpreter of the decaying religion as Mrs. Besant. And yet attempts to revive the old paganism were made by their own philosophers along much the same lines as the Theosophist leader follows to-day.

Apart from the influence of the Christian faith, there was unquestionably in the early centuries among the pegan peoples a real religious revival of a remarkable character. Replacing the old formal religions of Rome and Greece, there swept into their place emotional faiths from Egypt and from Persia. While those new oriental cults had many repulsive features and often resulted in the grossest practices, yet in there case, as in the case of the Vishnuite worships in India, their success was a testimony to the unquenchable religious longings of the heart of man. How great that success was, success gained at the very time when the Christian apostles were going forth to conquer, we have difficulty in realising. "Like wild-fire," says Dr. Charles Bigg, speaking of the Isis worship, "far more rapidly than Christianity, this ambiguous cult overran the world." And of the Mithraic sun-worship, that still more formidable rival of Christianity, the same authority tells us that by the middle of the third century it had attained such dimensions that it seemed not unlikely, to become the religion of the whole world. "The final battle in the age of Constantine," says Professor Gwatkin, "was round the cross ; but was it to be the cross of Christ as the sun-god's cross of light ?" The study of those two cults, the one springing from among the bestial worships of the Nile, the other coming via Persia from its ancient home in Vedic India, is interesting and of high value to the student of religion, and especially to the student who is watching in India the struggle of Christianity with rivals not dissimilar from those old forgotten systems that Christianity conquered long ago. We see there the last and most powerful efforts of paganism to "reconcile itself to the great moral and spiritual movement which was setting steadily and with growing momentum towards purer conceptions of God, of man's relation to Him and of the life to come." There was a great tide of spiritual energy seeking in those centuries expression and appeasement. It sought these, as the human spirit always will, in easier ways and by methods more comfortable to the flesh than Christianity, requires, but its imperious demand was that that satisfaction be a satisfaction to the tumultuous emotions and to the hungry heart. Accordingly those faiths, like the worship of Ram and even like the grosser worship of Krishna in India, were higher and more truly religious than the formal or philosophical systems that they largely supplanted. By the blood bath of the taurobolium, by the rites of initiation, by the provision of a mediator, by the promise of immortality, those religions sought to satisfy deep and unquenchable desires in the hearts of men. There was human sympathy in them and compassion and some attempt to respond to the sinful spirit's longing for forgiveness. "May we not say," says Dr. Bigg, "that Isis worship was a sort of savage counterpart of Christianity, deeply tainted, alas! by magic, better able to rouse the feelings than to chasten them, yet in its wild Egyptian way a gospel of suffering, a shadow of better things to come?" This was still more true of the far nobler Mithra worship. There were many respects in which this strange Eastern religion was so like Christianity that Christian apologists detected in it a diabolical parody of the customs of the Church. It is not only that they were alike in the rite of baptism, in a common sacramental meal, in such a festival as that of December 25, from which the Church borrowed its date for Christmas ; but in deeper ways Mithraism sought to satisfy the needs that are satisfied by Christ, and many a tomb still remains testifying that he who lies there was believed to have been by the rites of Mithra "renatus in aeternum." In those faiths we see the most determined attempt ever made by heathenism, until repeated with still more stubborn resolution in India, to find satisfaction for its needs without breaking with the past in a purified nature worship—to transform and to retain the old evil superstition. We see, what is also to be seen on every hand in India to-day, attempts foredoomed to failure to pour new wine into old bottles.

THEN AND NOW—THE PARALLEL.

It is hardly necessary to draw out in detail the comparison between that situation and what is to be found in India. The parallel is not only one that is close and becoming closer every day with the development of events, but it can be traced for centuries in the past of India's religious history. I refer to the rise of the religion of "bhakti" and the whole course of its history, showing how often the hungering Indian spirit has turned to it from the husks of formalism and of philosophy. Its course has been stained by the same gross excesses that stained the history of these ancient faiths, and yet, like them, it has sought to satisfy human hearts in ways often so closely akin to the Gospel that scholars still debate the question of its indebtedness to Christian teaching. We know that in addition to a certain kinship of spirit there are some striking superficial resemblances between the legends of the child Krishna and the nativity of Jesus, resemblances also to be found in the old Isis and Mithra cults; we know that the "Bhagavadgita," which perhaps represents an attempt to moralise the philosophical system of India and to bring it nearer to men's hearts, and which, for that reason, has much vogue in India to-day, is held by able scholars to betray many traces of the influence of the Gospel of St. John ; we know that Tulasi Dasa the most powerful religious influence in all Upper India, is believed by a student such as Dr. Grierson to have obtained many of his noblest conceptions from Christian sources, and we know that the presence of Christianity in India to-day is moralising the old worships and quickening them to new life as well as creating sects directly based upon its precepts. Similar influences are seen at work upon Mohamedanism. Babism, which, not improbably, may become the religion of Persia, and which is spreading in India also, is in certain respects to akin to Christianity that some of its adherents like a Mithraic priest of whom Augustine tells us. Actually claim the Christian name Theosophy and Mrs. Besant, Sister Nevedita, and the like are attempting to do much that Mithraism attempted eighteen centuries ago. There is in both cases the same shallow tolerance and the same attempt to moralise the old, ugly nature worship and to take all gods alike within their hospitable borders.

In many other ways we could parallel in India to-day the syncretism that sought to give Christ a place within the heathen pantheon, even as Bengalis hang His picture on their walls besides the pictures of their gods; that adopted the cross, as Chet Ramisn in the Punjab does, in a generous collection of religious symbols. But passing from these minor indications of the pervading influence of the Christian faith, we will refer briefly to the philosophic movements of those early centuries, and particularly to neo-platonism. The two most important names among the exponents of this system are Plotinus, in whose books Augustine found the whole of the Gospel of St John, except the Incarnation, and Porphyry, who, while accepting, like the Brahmo Samajist, an ideal Christ, toiled his whole life through to destroy and to denounce the work of the risen and exalted Son of God. Another great figure, in some ways comparable to that of Swami Vivekananda, is Apollonius of Tyana, the missionary of pantheism, the great traveller and preacher, who denounced the evils of his day and created a religious revival from Rome to Asia Minor. All those movements in those strangely surging times, like their parallels about us here, while making the struggle which the Church had to wage harder, and delaying its triumph, were yet preparing men's hearts to receive at last in fulness and in power its message of grace and of salvation. Justin Martyr and Augustine found in the neo platonist philosophers schoolmasters to lead them to Christ, but how far short their message fell of that in which those seekers found at last a refuge, Augustine himself has told us in words that might equally apply to the reforming theistic societies in India. He found in neo-platonism a high conception of the spirituality of God, but he did not find that doctrine of the word made flesh which humbled man and yet revealed to him an infinite hope. "Where," he says "was that charity building on the humility that is in Christ Jesus ? Those pages had not the tears of confession, Thy sacrifice, the contrite spirit, the broken and humbled heart, the salvation of the people, the bride, the city, the earnest of the Holy Spirit, the cup of our ransom. No one there hears Him call, "Come unto me, all yea that labour."

DIVERGENCES.

But similar as is the conflict in both periods between the truth and its counterfeits, it would be a shallow and inadequate comparison that did not discover in certain respect a wide divergence. There is no parallel in those early centuries to a social force of such gripand such tenacity as we find in the caste system in India. The difference that the existence of this system produces, separating India and its peoples as it does from all others, it is difficult to exaggerate. The character of the Indian peoples, the needs they feel, their capacity to respond to the all of God the mental and moral furniture of their minds—there is nothing in them that this social attitude does not radically affect. It accounts for one marked contrast between the effect of the appeal of Christ in the Roman Empire and in India. There is no more marked characteristic of the period when the Christian faith began its conquests than its sense of the agony of separation and the gloom of death. Such a book as Professor Dill's "Roman Society from Nero to Marcus Aurelius" affords pathetic testimony to the dread of the loneliness of the grave and the passionate desire for an abiding life. The tombs that line the Appian Way and all the busiest highways, pressing, as it were as close as possible to the sounds of human life and the tread of passing feet give naive and pitiful expression to that feeling. In many ways this passion for continued memory expressed itself, making, the desire for immortality beyond every other desire the most striking characteristic of that age and of those peoples. One secret of the success of the oriental worships lay in the fact that by sacrament and mystery they sought to fortify the worshipper in the face of death and to prepare him for the vision of God. "The unconquered Mithra," says Professor Dill," is the god of light and hope in this world and the next." It is obvious how great an opportunity such a condition of men's minds afforded to the message of Christ. There seems little doubt that in the case of a great body of the people the message of the Gospel created an irresistible attraction, because it brought life and immortality to light.

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THE FRENCH FLOODS.

From Cette, Marseilles, Toulon, Montpellier, Tarascon, Nimes, St. Etienne, and other places in France details continue to arrive of the disaster wrecked by the gales, which continue with unabated fury. The Rhone has risen 16 to 20 feet in various places, and the Eoire, Sagone, Allier, and other rivers continue to rise and flood the districts round them.

The country round St. Etienne is a desolation, and the population are in despair. Gardens and estates for miles up and down the Loire are under water. Walls have been thrown down, and a restaurant is under water. A young girl has been drowned at Craintille ux, and St. Rambert de St. Just an old man died of exposure.

For many hours yesterday all telegraphic and telephonic communication between Marseilles and Paris and Lyons and with all surrounding districts was entirely broken down. From all parts of the south and south-west, as well as from the west of France and the central districts of Auvergne, come reports of great damage done by the floods.

A telegram from Brest says a terrific gale has been raging on the coast, especially off Ushant. The sloop Cosmopolite, of "Le Conquet" from Bordeaux, which on Wednesday was signalled in distress off Ushant, has not been heard of since and is believed to have gone down with her crew.

The Minister of the Interior has sent funds to be distributed immediately among the victims from the fresh floods. At the same time, he asked the Council-General of the Departments to distribute reliefs. These funds will be independent of the credit which the Government will ask the Chambers to vote as soon as they reassemble.

BY THE WAY.

UNSUNNED DEPTHS.

It was a little strange to find a London paper recently describing a sea as "bottomless" because the Mikkelsen expedition, taking soundings with a 340-fathom line, failed to touch bottom. "Over 340 fathoms deep in Arctic Ocean," says a supplementary headline. The expedition must be singularly ill provided with sounding lines if this be the utmost depth it can re

THE TWO SERVICES.

PHILOSOPHY OF WAR.

We are indebted to the "Militar-Wochenblatt" for a summary of the arguments of Dr. Rudolf Steinmetz, who has just written a very remarkable treatise on the philosophy of war. The organ of the German Army directs attention to this discussion with relation to the Hague Conference, and it is interesting to discover the working of the German military mind upon the vital questions that are raised. Dr. Steinmetz has apparently the purpose of dealing a mortal blow at the German anti-militarists. He does not disguise the terrible consequences of war in the destruction of the lives of men, of the happiness and prosperity of families, and of the means of commerce, but he ascribes these effects to the animal instinct in human nature, and places against such harmful effects the vast fields of employment and success which are opened by the necessary peace preparations for war, which provide means for the livelihood of families and the education of children. He declares, with Ruskin, that the disappearance of war would be no advantage for the world, but quite the contrary, and supports his contention by the evidence of literature and history. In short war, far from being what the "Schwarmer a la Tolstoi" describe it, is the highest expression of supreme justice in the world, because those are victorious who are fitted by their qualities, the higher forms of their education, their patriotism, their earnestness, and the governments they constitute, to be victorious. War, says Dr. Steinmetz, is the highest proof of the qualities of a nation. Only upon one point does our German contemporary differ from him, and it is in relation to the assumed demoralising effect of barrack life in Germany, which the "Militar-Wochenblatt" says is misunderstood. The able treatise referred to—"Die Philosophie des Krieges"—may be read with advantage by anti-militarists at home and abroad. It does not leave any doubt upon our mind as to what the German Army thinks on the subject, or the spirit in which it prepares for war.

THE AEROSTAT.

No doubt Colonel Capper laughed a good deal when he read in the "Tribune" that his trip in the military airship from Farnborough to London had "completely changed the strategic position of Great Britain," and that henceforth "natural barriers of mountains, rivers, and seas are as ineffective, under the new conditions, as is the Great Wall of China." These portentous conclusions were apparently reached by our imaginative contemporary between the circling of the air-ship over St. Paul's and its arrival at the Crystal Palace. He would be a bold man who would forecast the feature of aerial navigation, especially when æroplanes, heavier than air, have been made practicable machines; but he is bolder who, because a balloon sails from Farnborough to London, sees Napoleons passing the Alps in the skies, or German army corps descending from the "central blue" upon London. We may congratulate Colonel Capper, Colonel Templer, and all who have been concerned in the success, without concluding that they have revolutionised strategy. The military airship is a success, and those who thought it a complete wreck were deceived. As a matter of fact, it is comparatively little damaged, and valuable experience has been gained which will be of great value in subsequent developments. The frame work was not much injured, and it was proved that in many usual circumstances an airship may descend with perfect safety, and pass from place to place, without requiring to resort to a covered and specially adapted dock. The Army Ballooning Department is not in the least discouraged by what has occurred, but quite the contrary.

HEAVY GUNS.

The subject of the "Duncan" Gold Medal Prize Essay this year was of high importance to the Army, namely the employment of heavier guns than those of the Field Artillery. The gold medallist, Major H. S. Jeudwine, R. A., was very successful in elucidating the various factors which affect the solution of the problem. He showed that power is of supreme importance for artillery and has always been sought after, but that the employment of guns of great power is and has always been limited by their mobility. This again is governed by the nature of artillery equipment and by the varied conditions in which it may be required to act. Meanwhile equipment improves and tactics develop along with the development of armament and appliances. It is not denied that artillery is the servant of the other arms. We must, therefore, examine the tactics of infantry if we wish to comprehend the conditions in which heavy artillery will be required to act, and an examination of these tactics reveals that at the present day marked developments have taken place; that entrenchments will be more largely used; that battles will be of longer duration than formerly and be waged over a wider front; that movement on the field by daylight will be more difficult; that the intervals between battles will be longer, and that main operation must follow railways. These are circumstances which render more possible the employment of artillery of greater power than field artillery, and much enhance its value in the field, and improvements in artillery equipment also render more possible its employment. Major Jeudwine, therefore, shows that artillery of greater power than our field artillery can co-operate usefully in field operations. The extent to which this co-operation may be carried varies, of course, with the ground, with the circumstances of its employment, and according to whether guns or howitzers are under consideration. The argument is forcible, and leaves no doubt as to the justice of the conclusions.

WOUND PENSIONS.

The Royal Warrant of August 30 fixed at two years the period within which the death of an officer or soldier must occur from wounds or injuries received in the performance of military duty, or from disease contracted or commencing while on active service, if his widow, children, or other dependent relatives were to be eligible for pension or compassionate allowances. It is noteworthy that on the 9th inst., even before the new edition of the Royal Warrant for Pay, Appointment, Promotion, &c. (dated August 30)—the appearance of which is announced in the October Army Orders—became available, the Order was modified by the period being increased to seven years. This addition of five years to the original of two years is a very substantial concession to officers and men of the Army, much appreciated, and the decision has been received with great satisfaction. It was a mistake, no doubt, to assign so short a period for the development of the consequences of wounds, injuries, or diseases received or contracted of service, but the authorities have acted very wisely and with proper consideration of the circumstances. The spirit in which the just claims of officers and men are now considered is eminently gratifying, and should do something to restore that confidence which has been so seriously affected by some recent decisions.

COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS.

The approaching appointment of secretaries to the new County Associations is exciting a good deal of interest both in Regular and Volunteer circles. It is generally admitted that a very great deal will depend upon the personalities and experience of the secretaries, and it is therefore of importance to secure the best men. Obviously the associations must be formed before the secretaries can be appointed, and it seems very unlikely that meetings can take place before Christmas. The War Office guarantees an administrative grant, which is to provide, amongst other things, the emoluments of the secretary, but since this grant is to depend upon the squadrons, companies batteries, or other units which may be raised, its amount at the beginning will be provisional, and therefore it will not be easy to say what will be the sum available for the secretary. There is also the possibility that a secretary may be shared between two or more smaller and associated counties—this is an idea emanating from the War Office—which throws some further doubt upon the matter. We understand that a number of Regular officers, who have been acting as adjutants and otherwise, are "in the running" for these appointments, and no doubt many of them are very capable and experienced. On the other hand, many of those interested in the Volunteer movement, think that members of the Auxiliary Forces who have shown their interest in them as commissioned or warrant officers and are intimately acquainted with their character and requirements, would be better fitted for the posts. There is something to be said on both sides of the question, but the appointments will depend upon local feeling, and it is quite possible that in some cases officers are already in the view of those influential personages who will have a principal voice in making the appointments.

SIGNALLING.

The report of the Committee on Signalling between the ships of the Navy and of the Mercantile Marine contains several important recommendations in regard to the adoption of night signalling at sea. Since July 1 last all candidates for certificates as master or mate have been required to show that they are acquainted with the Morse and the Semaphore alphabets, and that they have a good working knowledge of the British "Signal Manual." After January 1 next, it is also proposed that candidates shall pass an examination in signalling, including the flashing and pyrotechnic code. It does not appear, however, that any particular system of flashing signals or signalling apparatus has been recommended for use in the Mercantile Marine. It is interesting then, to note that an officer of the British Merchant Service has invented a bridge flash lamp, which appears to contain the elements of success, and to have proved satisfactory when tested under practical working conditions on board ships at sea. The principal of the construction of Endall's patent Morse code lamp is a pair of brass cylinders, one fitting within the other, and both having a series of loopholes or long slots around their circumferences. One cylinder is adapted to move axially in relation to the other, being mounted on ball bearings, and connected with a tapper rod which when operated by finger pressure causes it to rotate bringing its openings or slots opposite to those of the stationary cylinder, when the rays of the lamps within the cylinder become visible. Again, when the finger pressure is relaxed the return movement causes the light to be shut in and concealed.

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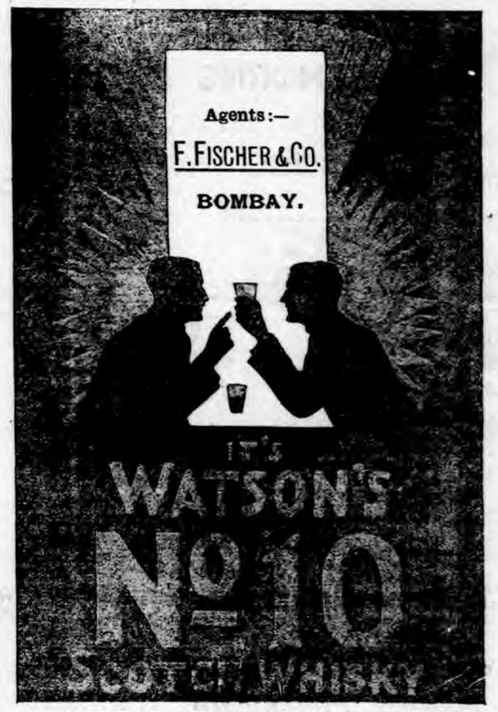

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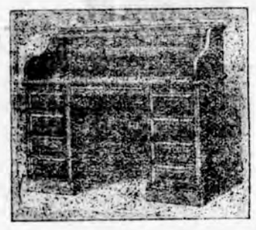

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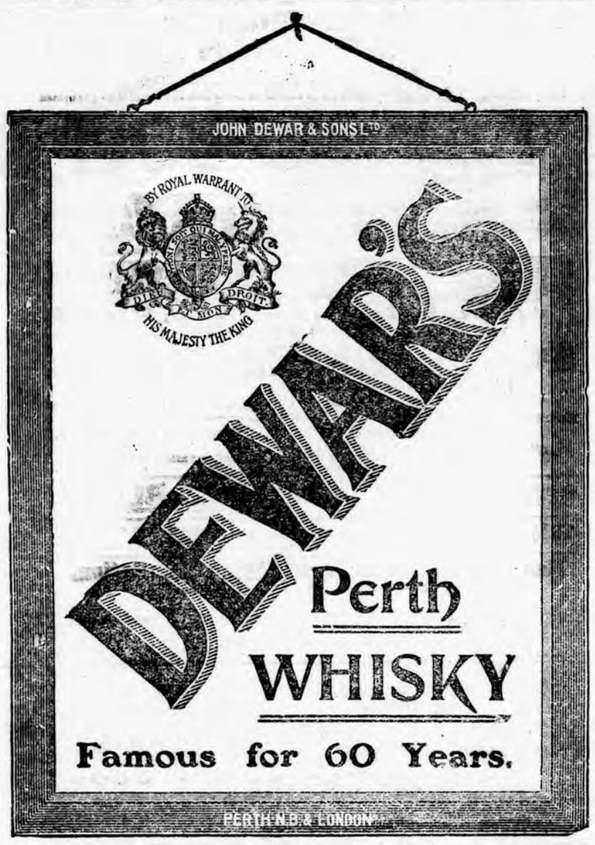

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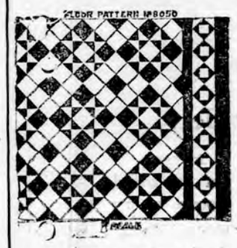

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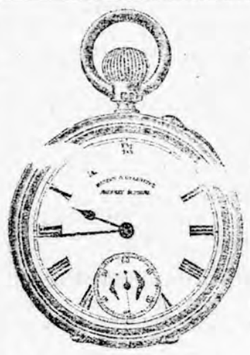

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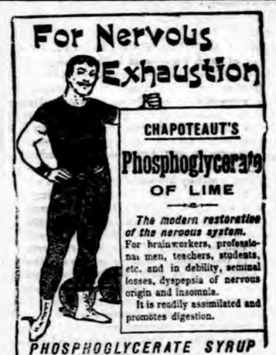

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